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Number 1

A CHALLENGE

and an Opportunity

Christ demands loyal devotion and consecrated fellowship . . . **SUNDAY SCHOOL** is your place for study and service.

**A CORDIAL
WELCOME
AWAITS YOU**

**Qualified Teachers and
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

"PARSON TO PERSON"

SUNDAY IS COMMITMENT DAY

This past Sunday in both the Bible School and in the worship service an opportunity was given to the membership and friends of the church to do something toward building a greater church. To date there have been 82 families make their commitment

ment of stewardship in helping bring our debt under control. These 82 commitments amount to \$9,170. In these commitments are some clear cut indications of consecration, and others give evidence of little or no concern.

This coming Sunday morning in the worship service the second COMMITMENT DAY will be observed. Every member will be urged to pledge his commitment to God to read the Bible every day, to pray daily for the church and its ministry, by regular attendance, and by taking the responsibility of some task within the fellowship of the church, and by the stewardship of their finances. As you know, prior to my coming as your minister, our great church had a debt of approximately \$226,000. The members who cared, really did an outstanding job of reducing that debt until it now stands around \$180,000. A MIRACLE ACCOMPLISHED BY A VERY FEW CONSECRATED

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SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS! You see less than half of the membership actually share ALL WHO DO NOT MAKE THEIR COMMITMENT SUNDAY WILL BE CALLED ON IN THE HOMES — AND MY WHAT A WASTE OF TIME, WHEN IT IS JUST AS EASY TO MAKE YOUR RESPONSE TO GOD IN THE WORSHIP SERVICE OF GOD'S CHURCH! PRAY ABOUT YOUR COMMITMENT—AND THEN BRING IT TO THE HOUSE OF GOD!

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
ECUMENICAL COMMUNION SERVICE
PLANNED

For the first time in several years the Annual International Convention Communion service will be conducted in co-operation with other churches of the greater Cleveland area. The Cleveland Church Federation is working closely with the International Convention in making this truly an ecumenical experience this Sunday. Likewise, for the first time in many years, a speaker will be included in this service. Bishop Richard C. Raines, Indiana Conference of the Methodist Church will bring the Communion address. Plan to be among the more than 10,000 who will participate in this great experience. Register today. This is your last chance!

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Loraine Brubaker is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 355.

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It is love that gives value to every other gift: love is the currency of faith in truth, the instrument of the Christian business.

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STORK NEWS

Mrs. Sondra Rose Wilson gave birth to a new little daughter September 30. Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Cain. She is in Room 302, Lutheran Hospital.

We wish to congratulate these fine parents and the proud grandparents.

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The Bible is a book in comparison with which all others in my eyes are of minor importance, and which in all my perplexities and distresses has never failed to give me light and strength.

—Robert E. Lee

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If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury our glory in profound obscurity.

—Daniel Webster

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT
Sunday, September 29, 1957

	Att.	Of
Babies & Toddlers	11	
Nursery Department	17	1
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	22	1
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. John King		
Primary Department	36	3
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. F. Marion Coburn		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	11	2
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Mrs. Barbara Raymond		
Upper Junior Department	16	2
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
Mrs. Garland Morroff		
Junior High Department	16	1
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	21	2
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Donald Wasson		
Mr. Harry Harman		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	—	
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	46	2
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. Paul Yentes		
Mr. James R. Shockney		
Mrs. Fred Duncan		
Progressive Class	36	1
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
Mrs. Kenneth Johnston		
Friendly Class	23	1
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Ladies Bible Class	6	9
Mrs. C. D. Durfee		
Men's Class	16	1
Mr. David Hogg		

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, October 6

ELDERS: Robert Clipp — David Griggs.

DEACONS: for October

Captain: Phillip Uhl, H-28191

Donald C. Smith
Jack E. Weicker
Leon H. Johns
Robert N. Hendricks
E. T. Fusselman
Arthur S. Betz
Dale C. Hiler
Delmas Young
Howard J. Howell
Carl D. Linn
Paul L. Carpenter
John R. McFarland

ASSOCIATE DEACONS FOR OCTOBER

Hendricks P. Love
Charles R. Ludwig
Frank M. Moody
Donald Wasson
Gorden E. Welker
Paul E. Yentes
F. Marion Coburn
Edwin R. Hall

DEACONESS FOR OCTOBER

Mrs. Hugh D. Rice

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR OCTOBER

Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau

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CHOIR REHEARSALS

Beginning Sept. 5

Junior Choir will practice Thursday after-
noons from 4 to 5 P.M.

CYF Choir will practice Thursdays
from 6:30 to 7:30 P.M.

Sanctuary Choir will practice Thursdays
from 7:30 to 9:00 P.M.

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FALL DISTRICT CONVENTION

of Christian Churches

The Fall District Convention for District
One will be held at the Saturn Christian
Church, Sunday, October 6. TWO SES-
SIONS: 2:30 and 7:00 P.M. Theme: "In-
formed, Concerned, Committed". Plan to
attend. Let First Christian be represented.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	332
Church School Attendance	282
Church School Offering	68.43
Regular Church Offering	595.39
Building Fund Offering	223.75

TOTAL GIVING \$887.57

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet with
Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 So. Fairfield Ave.,
on Monday evening, October 14th at 8
P.M. Leader, Miss Mildred Hartman. De-
votions by Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mission-
ary News by Mrs. Farlin Edwards.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs.
Dale Parkerson, 3216 Crescent Ave., Tues-
day afternoon, October 8, at 1:15. Program
by Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich. Devotions by
Mrs. H. W. Sigrist.

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WORLD CALL

Those wishing to subscribe to the World
Call, our Brotherhood magazine, or to re-
new their subscription, please call Mrs.
Wm. R. Love, CWF World Call Secretary,
H-1615.

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ANNUAL HARVEST INGATHERING

The CWF will go to the Emily E. Flinn
Home October 15, which is the regular
meeting time. We will leave the church
at 12 Noon. Transportation will be pro-
vided for those unable to drive. Please
advise your Group Service chairman or
Mrs. Uhl, H-28191 by October 8 if you are
planning to make the trip.

There will be a box in the Narthex on
Sunday the 13th for those desiring to
bring donations of canned food for the
Annual Harvest Ingathering. All food do-
nations should be at the church by the
14th. Money gifts may be made also.
These should be given to Mrs. Uhl or
Mrs. Caldwell.

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WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

World Community Day is November 1st.
Noon luncheon at West Creighton Avenue
Christian Church. Reservations must be
given to Mrs. Wm. Caldwell by October
25th. Luncheon 85c.

For Project: All kinds of warm, good
used or new clothing, warm dark clothing
for men, household linens, materials,
blankets, full size and children's size, 2½
yard lengths of denim. These articles must
be at our Church by October 30.

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From children in our Church School —
children's clothing. These articles must be
at the Church by October 30.

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In America the dignity of labor is
recognized, and it is idleness rather than
toil that is felt to be a disgrace. This is
a direct fruit of the religion that presents
the Son of God and the Saviour of men
as working at the carpenter's bench, and
His leading followers as men that earned
their bread by working with their hands.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF met at the church last Sunday evening at 5 P.M. with 2 present. Following the dinner hour an business session a most inspiring worship and study period was conducted by Jud Rice and Warren Stevenson on the topic "As I Look At Me".

Next Sunday evening the youth will meet at the church at 5 P.M. Each will bring a covered dish and table service. The topic to be discussed will be, "Others Look At Me". The purpose of this particular topic is to help each youth understand that he is one individual in a society of inter-related and inter-dependent persons and that he must adjust himself to live happily and usefully in his social environment. All High School youth of the church are urged to attend and have fun and fellowship together.

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On Saturday, October 5, a Fall Retreat for the U.C.Y.M. Council will be held at the Psi Ote House at Franke Park. The opening worship will begin at 10:30 A.M.

The CYM is the "Youth Arm" of the Associated Churches. Nationally, it is a branch of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America.

The CYF Counselors have appointed two youth, Allan Flowers and Merle Rice to represent First Christian Church in the UCYM meetings during the coming year.

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"I love this long, sweet, quiet place
Where earth and sky come face to face
With nothing in between;
And this dear peace of eventime,
When all the world, so far and wide,
Is gold and green.

I need wide space in my heart,
Where faith and I can go apart
And grow serene.

Life gets so choked up by busy living,
Kindness is lost in fussy giving,
That love slips by unseen.
I want to make a quiet place
Where those I love can see God's face
Can stretch their hearts across the earth
Can understand what spring is worth
Can count the stars,
Watch violets grow,
And learn what birds and children know

—L. R. B.

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NEXT WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Communion — Church Sanctuary.
9:30 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

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Week of October 6 - October 12

The Circles of CWF will meet in the various homes.

October is Loyalty Month in the Church
BE IN CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY — RAIN
OR SHINE — OBSERVE THE LORD'S DAY.

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OCTOBER — LOYALTY MONTH

On Sunday, October 6, the Official Board and their families are to be seated together in the Sanctuary during the Worship hour. Special mention will be made.

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C.Y.F. FALL WASTE PAPER DRIVE

Just a reminder: The High School CYF have set the date of Saturday, October 19 for their Fall waste paper and magazine drive. This is one of their projects to raise money for their Christian World Friendship Fund missionary pledge. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

For pick-up call Mrs. F. E. Morrical,
H-75473.



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TIDINGS

Bishop T. N. Carruthers, Episcopal Bishop of South Carolina, writes of a man who increased his giving so much that it caused concern and amazement. The Bishop went to see the man and to congratulate him on having such a successful year, but to his amazement he was told, "But my business has not increased, in fact it has not been good. But I discovered I was NOT GIVING ACCORDING TO MY SCALE OF VALUES. It appeared to me as I was making out my monthly checks. I have never doubted that my church meant more to me than my car, but my giving did not reflect that fact! I could get along without my car if I had to, but not without my God! I'm now trying to square my giving with my sense of values!"

Is your giving in line with your scale of values? Do you support the values in which you believe? Christianity began with giving — God's! Christianity is climaxed with a gift — Christ's gift of His life on Calvary! TO GIVE IS TO LIVE!



WOMAN'S DAY

December 15, next Sunday is Woman's Day, sponsored by the Christian Women's Fellowship. This is an outstanding day on the Calendars of the women of our Brotherhood and is observed annually.

Due to unavoidable circumstances our scheduled speaker, Robert Nelson, will not be with us. However, our own minister, Mr. Wascovich will bring the Woman's Day message.



AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, December 15, 1957

ELDERS: Rolland Ripple — Harold Crowder

DEACONS: Captain—Homer H. Stevenson,
H-0678.

John F. Hechler

Don J. Eyer

A. Jefferson Young

Farlin F. Edwards

Harold K. Pritchard

Harley R. Meadows

Romane H. Cole

Arza Smith

Merland G. Heller

Melvin Evans

George R. Bruckman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS FOR DECEMBER

(Serving Second and Fourth Sundays)

A. Neil Allen

Laurence Coleman

S. E. Merriman

Carl H. Thomas

John C. Varner

Richard W. Baker

Wendell C. Glass

Billy O. Heath

JUNIOR DEACONS FOR DECEMBER 15

Jon Heavin

Merle Rice

Clark Hiler

Allan Flowers

Lee Crowell

Wendell Rose

Steven Banet

Robin Miller

DEACONESS FOR DECEMBER

Mrs. H. W. Crowder

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR DEC.

Mrs. F. E. Morrical.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Elders: Fred Gudakunst - Warren
Stevenson.

Junior Deacons: Robert Young - Eugene
Swift - Steven Craig - Gary Butler.

Ushers: Terry Spitzer - Robert Fink-
housen.

Candle Girls: Cathy Cole - Amanda
Welker.

Refreshments: Linda Welker - Carolyn
Ripple.

Offering December 8 — \$3.36, Atten-
dance — 63.

ROSE SERVICE

Our Service for Blessing the Babies will
be held at the Morning Worship hour on
Christmas Sunday, December 22. If you
are planning to bring your little one,
please call the Church Office, H-6222 be-
fore December 20.

PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class will have a can-
in dinner on Saturday, December 14
6:30 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Mem-
bers are requested to bring their own to
service. There will be a 25c gift exchan-

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COME-DOUBLE CLASS

The Come-Double Class will have
Christmas party in Fellowship Hall,
Saturday, December 14 at 6:00 P.M. This
is a carry-in supper. Members are to bring
their own table service, and a gift for
their own children.

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'58 CLASS

This Class will have their party at
home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Addis.
909 Kinnaird Ave., Friday evening, De-
cember 13 at 6:30. Mr. and Mrs. C.
Travis are co-hosts. This will be a "CO-
ME AS YOU ARE" party and supper will
be served.

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SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

The High School Choir brought beau-
tiful Christmas music last Sunday evening
under the direction of William Wetzel.

Next Sunday the Junior Choir will
sing for us. Snack time at 6:30 P.M. in Fel-
lowship Hall. Mrs. Paul Truby, General Ch-
airman.

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR ME

If you are looking for ideas why not
Church plate? Some have suggested
of four or six for special occasions. You
could you keep your Church before
in a simpler way? For a church plate
a member of the PROGRESSIVE CLASS

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That the Wise Men were wise men
shown by their willingness to suffer per-
secution and inconvenience in order to
ship Christ.

It is said that the Wise Men after
finding the Babe in the manger "went
another way." No one can really
Christ and go back the same way. It
becomes different from that hour.

—E. Stanley Jones

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Billy Heath is a patient in
5, St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Warm your Christmas heart at the
of your Church.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Woman's Day, Sunday, December 15.
Bring your Woman's Day offering and
place in the collection plates with the
regular offering at the Morning Service.

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The December meeting of the General
Fellowship will be held Tuesday evening,
December 17. The Executive will meet at
7:15. The Program will be at 8 o'clock.
Mrs. Gail Hunt has planned a Special
Christmas program. The film, "Looking
Through The Window" will be shown.
Mrs. Wascovich of Nelson Circle will give
devotions. The Kepple Circle is in charge
of Hospitality. Gifts for the Cleveland
Christian Home will be dedicated.

Mrs. William Caldwell, President.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs.
Paul Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St. Thurs-
day, December 19 at 7:30 P.M. Program
by Mrs. Irene Cline; Worship by Mrs.
Robert Clipp. There will be a 25c gift
exchange.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

There will be no CYF meeting at the
Church this Sunday evening, December 15,
due to the High School Youth having ac-
cepted an invitation to worship and fel-
lowship with the High School age Youth
at the Waynedale Methodist Church, from
5:30 to 9 P.M. A fine evening has been
arranged by the Host church.

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Our High School team was defeated
Monday evening, December 9 by the West
Creighton Christian Church Team. Our
boys will play next Tuesday, December
17, at 8 P.M. against the First E.U.B. Team.
Let's all get behind our boys and attend
the game. They need encouragement.

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GRATITUDE

For sunlit hours and visions clear,
For all remembered faces dear;
For comrades of a single day
Who sent us stronger on our way;
For friends who shared the year's long
road
And bore with us the common load;
For hours that levied heavy tolls,
But brought us nearer to our goals;
For insights won through toil and tears—
We thank the Keeper of our years.

—Clyde McGee

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Christmas is the season for kindling the
fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial
flame of charity in the heart.

—Washington Irving

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The earth has grown old with its burden
of care, but at Christmas it always is
young.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, December 8, 1957

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	8	
Nursery Department	17	1.25
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	29	3.07
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	33	4.30
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. F. Marion Coburn		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	25	2.70
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Barbara Raymond		
Upper Junior Department	22	1.69
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	12	1.55
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	28	3.18
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Donald Wasson		
Mr. Harry Harman		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	22	8.95
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	56	25.31
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. Paul Yentes		
Mr. James R. Shockney		
Mrs. George Duncan		
Progressive Class	33	14.90
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
Mrs. Kenneth Johnston		
Friendly Class	14	3.20
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. W. H. Imbody		
Ladies Bible Class	6	1.10
Mrs. C. D. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.95
Mr. David Hogg		
Mr. W. C. Birkhold		
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9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

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and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M. Junior Church
(Ages 7 to 11)
Junior Class Room.

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COMING EVENTS

December 15—10:30 A.M.

Woman's Day —

George E. Wascovich, Speaker

December 15—School of Living

5:30 - 6:30 P.M. Junior Choir

Directed by William Wetzel

6:30 - 7:30 P.M. Snack Time

Fellowship Hall

December 22—School of Living

5:30 to 6:30 P.M. Snack Time.

6:30 to 7:30—Christmas Program

"Songs of Christmas" by Fred War-
ing.

Sanctuary Choir.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	338
Junior Church Attendance	63
Church School Attendance	320
Church School Offering	78.15
Regular Church Offering	506.67
Building Fund Offering	286.25
90 Days of Sharing	602.00
School of Living	40.89

TOTAL \$1513.96

CHURCH ENVELOPES — 1958

The cartons of Church envelopes for
your 1958 offerings will be in the Narthe-
next Sunday morning. **Please pick up
your set of envelopes.** Check the name
on the carton as account numbers vary
from year to year. If you do not find your
box contact the Church Secretary, Mrs.
Vaught.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deepest sym-
pathy to Mrs. Ward Bundy in the recent
death of her sister, Mrs. Scott of Muncie.

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CHANCE FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers this Sunday are
the gift of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Craig
honoring the birthday of their son, Stephen.

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"TOYS for TOTS"

The 9th Rifle Company, U.S. Marine
Corps Reserve and the Allen County
Sheriff's Dept., in cooperation with the
Shell Oil Company are sponsoring organi-
zations of this worthy project. Many less
fortunate children in the community will
enjoy a happy and Merry Christmas
through the warm hearted generosity of
our fellow citizens. December 2 to 20th.

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OUR ULTIMATE DEFENSE

The tendency of man, in this fear-ridden
world, is to put his trust in the immedi-
ate losing sight of the **ultimate** — "im-
mediate" rather than in the living God —
"chariots" that fly thru the air, travel
land and sea, armed with lethal weapons
made to destroy. Our final defense must
be built of different materials. Isaiah's
words point to the source of our strength
and ultimate defense: "Have you re-
known? Have you not heard? The Lord
is the everlasting God, the Creator of the
ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;
His understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint, and to him
who has no might, He increases
strength.

Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
But they who wait for the Lord shall
renew their strength, they shall mount
up with wings like eagles,

They shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

Guide Lines, Bethany Guide

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If Christ had not come, there would
not be a Christian in the whole world.
Imagine that!

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OR SHINE — OBSERVE THE LORD'S DAY**



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DEAR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS:

Once more your minister and his family would like to say, "Thank you," for all the many lovely things which you have said and done for us. Our Church family is a close-knit group of friends, and our hearts are gladdened by the warmth of the friendship which is everywhere manifested in the First Christian Church. The old year is drawing to a close and what a remarkable year it was at First Christian Church! It was one of the brightest years our great church has ever known, and all because you tried!

Yet your minister and his family wish you all a very merry Christmas, and a bright, prosperous New Year. May all of us clear our minds of old grudges and regrets, and our hearts of old hurts and hang-overs, and meet the new days with a free mind and heart of pluck, patience, and wise perseverance. Let us all increase our contacts with our fellowmen, building bridges into other lives, and not walls about ourselves, and let us learn new skills in the little arts of kindness and service which make for happiness. Let us seek a quiet mind, a little hush amid the rush and clatter of life, taking time to think clearly and get things straight, and to leave a smile in the place of a frown, and a ripple of laughter in the place of a tear.

Beloved, let us all love one another even as our Lord loved us and gave Himself for us. Let us love the Church, and give ourselves for Her. Let us make First Christian Church the finest Church possible for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

Sincerely,

GEORGE E. WASCOVICH

***May Your New Year Be One of Peace and Prosperity --
Inspired by CHRISTian Living and Giving!***

IF EVERY DAY WERE CHRISTMAS

If the spirit of Christ were with us every day . . . some revolutionary events would occur: Selfishness would die a death of starvation. Avarice would be hung higher than Haman. Foolish pride would go down in crushing defeat. Senseless strife and silly bickerings would shame each other to death.

The prayer of Jesus for the unity of his followers would be answered.

Racial animosities would be drowned in a sea of brotherhood.

War, with all its horrors, its brutality, its devilishness, would be an utter impossibility. "Peace on Earth" would become a glorious reality.

—Edgar DeWitt Jones

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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Christian stewardship is something more than a habit, an attitude, a technique or a phase of religious experience. These things are all involved.

Christian stewardship is really a philosophy, a way of life resulting from a commitment to a great end, the accomplishment of the will of God on earth. It is no surface adjustment but an inner conviction expressed in outer relationships.

It has been defined as "Christian materialism," that is to say, the Christian philosophy with reference to possessions or things. This definition does not tell the whole story, for stewardship also implies the idea of commitment and action. It is not an intellectual conception alone. It is motivation as well. It involves dedication and sacrifice.

—Herman C. Weber

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I dare not slight the stranger at my gate—
Threadbare of garb, and sorrowful of lot
Lest it be Christ that stands, and goes His
way

Because I, all unworthy, knew him not.
I dare not miss one flash of loving cheer
From alien souls, in challenge fine and
high:

Ah, —what if God be moving very near—
And I, so blind, so deaf—had passed him
by?

—Simmons

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A day is a wonderful thing. It is like
a great doorway flung wide for you to
pass through into all manner of adventures.

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If Christ had not come, there would
not be a Christian in the whole world.
Imagine that!

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BE IN CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY — RAIN
OR SHINE — OBSERVE THE LORD'S DAY.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, December 22, 1957

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	14	
Nursery Department	21	5.8
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	22	8.
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	36	12.4
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. F. Marion Coburn		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	26	7.0
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Barbara Raymond		
Upper Junior Department	20	7.1
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	15	4.
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	25	4.
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Donald Wasson		
Mr. Harry Harman		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	28	19.
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	43	29.
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. Paul Yentes		
Mr. James R. Shockney		
Mrs. George Duncan		
Progressive Class	45	56.
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
Mrs. Kenneth Johnston		
Friendly Class	17	25.
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. W. H. Imbody		
Ladies Bible Class	7	20
Mrs. C. D. Durfee		
Men's Class	15	106.
Mr. David Hogg		
Mr. W. C. Birkhold		

TOTALS 337 \$3102

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, December 29, 1957

DEACONS: Hugh Rice — Carter Palmer
ASSOCIATE DEACONS: Captain—Homer H. Stevenson,
H-0678.

John F. Hechler
Don J. Eyer
A. Jefferson Young
Farlin F. Edwards
Harold K. Pritchard
Harley R. Meadows
Romane H. Cole
Arza Smith
Merland G. Heller
Melvin Evans
George R. Bruckman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS FOR DECEMBER
(Serving Second and Fourth Sundays)

A. Neil Allen
Laurence Coleman
S. E. Merriman
Carl H. Thomas
John C. Varner
Richard W. Baker
Wendell C. Glass

SENIOR ASSOCIATE DEACONS

Steven Coleman
Larry Carson
John Young
Steven Banet
Michael Young
Phillip Carson
Clark Hiler
Sylvan Young

DEACONESS FOR DECEMBER

Mrs. H. W. Crowder
HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR DEC.
Mrs. F. E. Morrical.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Elders: Fred Gudakunst - Warren
Stevenson.

Junior Deacons: Robert Young - Eugene
Swift - Steven Craig - Gary Butler.
Deacons: Terry Spitzer - Robert Fink-
hausen.

Candle Girls: Cathy Cole - Amanda
Welker.

Refreshments: Linda Welker - Carolyn
Ripple.

Offering December 22 — \$4.48, Atten-
dance — 71.

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ROSE SERVICE

Those participating in the Rose Service
last Sunday were: David Brian, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Phillip Uhl; Ramonda Elaine,
daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Decker;
Nellie Rose, daughter, Mr. and Mrs.
Wayne Koehlinger; Steven Edward, son,
Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson; Cynthia
Ene, daughter, Mrs. Walter Greenwald;
Persa Ann, daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff
Davis; Kenneth Lee, son, Mr. and Mrs.
G. Taylor, Bryan Ray, Brent J., and
Lerie, children of Mr. and Mrs. Victor
Erling.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will participate in
the program for the School of Christian
Living in the Church Sanctuary on Sun-
day evening, December 29th, from 5:30 to
6:30 P.M. A Candlelight New Year's Ser-
vice will be presented by 12 of the CYF
members led by Rev. Wascovich. They
are: Susan VanFossen, Michael Young,
Judy Rice, Philip Carson, Peggy McFar-
land, Eugene Swift, Louise Ormond, John
Johnston, Jean Ormond, Allan Flowers,
Susan Rousseau, Dick Skelton. At 6:30
to 7:30 the Youth will enjoy snack time
followed by recreation.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs.
James Cain, 813 Kinnaird Ave. Wednes-
day, January 8, 1958 at 8 P.M. Program
by Mrs. Marion Coburn, Worship by Mrs.
George Wascovich.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs.
Irene Cline, 129 E. Lexington, Thurs-
day, January 2, at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs.
Eural Rose, Worship by Mrs. Ernest
Kattas.

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GIFTS WITHOUT SEASON

Lord, I would thank you for these things:

Not sunlight only, but sullen rain;

Not only laughter with lifted wings,

But the heavy muted hands of pain.

Lord, I would thank you for so much:

The toil no less than the well-earned
ease;

The glory always beyond our touch

That bows the head and bends the
knees.

Lord, there are gifts of brighter gold

Than the deepest mine or mint can
yield:

Friendship and love and a dream to hold,

The look that heartened, the word that
healed.

Lord, I would thank you for eyes to see

Miracles in our everyday earth:

The colors that cloud monotony,

The flame of the humblest flower's birth.

Lord, I would thank you for gifts without
season:

The flash of a thought like a banner

The splendor of faith and the sparkle of
reason,

The tolerant mind in a turbulent world!

—Joseph Auslander

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GRATITUDE

For sunlit hours and visions clear,

For all remembered faces dear;

For comrades of a single day

Who sent us stronger on our way;

For friends who shared the year's long
road

And bore with us the common load;

For hours that levied heavy tolls,

But brought us nearer to our goals;

For insights won through toil and tears—

We thank the Keeper of our years.

—Clyde McGee

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Service by the Young People of the
CYF, in the Sanctuary.

6:30 Snack Time in Fellowship Hall.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	401
Junior Church Attendance	71
Church School Attendance	701
Church School Offering	310.02
Regular Church Offering	634.80
Building Fund Offering	338.00
90 Days of Sharing	295.00
School of Living	59.93
Christmas Offering	164.08

TOTAL \$1801.83

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There is something you can do to make
this world better. You can contribute
one consecrated life.

A NEW CLASS

A new class in the Church School is
starting Sunday, January 5th for College
and Business men and women.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers this Sunday are
the gift of Mr. Sherman G. Myers, given
in memory of his mother.

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A MODERN HAMLET SOLILOQUIZES

To pledge or not to pledge—that is the
question.

Whether 'tis nobler in a man

To take the Gospel free and let another
foot the bill,

Or sign a pledge and pay toward church
expenses!

To give, to pay—aye, there's the rub
To pay,

When on the free-pew plan, a man may
have

A sitting free and take the Gospel, too

As though he paid, and none be aug-
ment the wiser

Save the Finance Committee, who—
Most honorable of men—can keep a secret
"To err is human," and human, too, to buy
At cheapest rate. I'll take the Gospel
For others do the same—a common rule
I'm wise, I'll wait, not work—I'll pro-
ceed not pay,

And let the other fellow foot the bills,
And so I'll get the Gospel free, you see

—Author Unknown

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GIVING

To give a little from a shining store,
Is that to give? To give and feel no loss
Is that to give as Christ gave on the Cross
To share the crumbs of happiness we go
With those who weep apart, to give our
best

Of healing sympathy to hearts in pain
To give our labor when we faint with
rest,

This is the charity men knew when he
First breathed that word by starlit Galilee

—William F. Kir

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No longer forward or behind
I look in hope or fear;

But, grateful, take the good I find,
The best of now and here.

—John Greenleaf Whittier



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, January 2, 1958

Number 14

"HAPPY NEW YEAR"

Dear Christian Friends:

The old year ended with a wonderful day of worship, and an evening of warm friendship and fellowship! The total offerings Sunday came to \$2,108.81, of which amount \$57 was for "90 Days of Sharing", and \$167 for the Building Fund. This is a worthy offering, one of which we can all be proud. Let us all keep on being serious about God's Kingdom, and we shall all see what an amazing transformation can come to our personal lives.

This coming Sunday morning we shall study the Book of Malachi under the sermon theme: "PIONEERS OR PANHANDLERS". The people of Malachi's time were not religious — they would have been surprised and indignant if you had told them they were! But their plight was far worse — they were playing at religion.

- Anything would do for God, so long as they kept up some kind of religious form!
- The shabbiness of a thoughtless religion, based on form and symbols, but never surrendering to the truths which they were portraying, this was their tragedy.
- They were giving God the rag end of their time and talent.
- They were giving God the "left-overs", or "crumbs".

In such an hour the prophet of God thundered his warning, and offered God's remedy, pointing the way of deliverance!

Every life may become a "sponge" or a "fountain", and Jesus makes all of life a fountain, "springing up into life everlasting."

Happy New Year to all of you! Choose to become a "PIONEER" for God in this New Year! Let's all act like gentlemen toward God!

Read the Book of Malachi in preparation for Sunday's sermon!
 School for Christian Living: "HOW DID WE GET OUR BIBLE?" . . . The Minister
 Chi Rho: begins this Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whittemore, Counselors.

COME YE

Thankful People

LET US SHOW GRATITUDE



For bounteous blessings
of health, wealth, and happiness;

For freedom of worship
in the security of a great land;

For the Love of God
in whom we have Life Eternal.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD IN HIS HOUSE

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, January 5, 1958

ELDERS:

DEACONS: Captain — George R. Bruckman, E-93186

Donald C. Smith
Jack E. Weicker
Louis Culbertson
Laurence Coleman
F. Marion Coburn
James Cain
Dale C. Hiler
Delmas Young
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JUNIOR CHURCH

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Junior Deacons: Steven Banet — Eugene Swift.

Offering December \$3.17 — Attendance 51.

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A NEW CLASS!

A new class in the Church School starting Sunday, January 5th for College and Business men and women. Mr. W. W. Kovich will be temporary teacher of this Class.

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MEMORY, HOPE AND EFFORT

That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, to keep his commandments. Psalm 78:7

My text tells us how past, present and future—memory, hope and effort—may be ennobled and blessed. In brief, it is by associating them all with God. It is in the field of his working that our past is best remembered. It is on him that our hopes may most widely be set. It is keeping his commandments which is the consecration of the present. Let us, therefore, take the three thoughts of our text and cast them into New Year's resolutions.

—Alexander Maclaren

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF held an Executive Planning meeting last Thursday at 1 P.M. at the home of the President, Miss Susan Van Fossen, 404 W. Maple Grove. This meeting was attended by officers and committee chairmen of the High School Youth Group.

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Our High School Basketball Team will play Crescent Avenue E.U.B. Team at 5 P.M. next Monday, January 6, at St. John's E. & R. Gym.

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Next Sunday, January 5, the High School CYF will meet at the church at 5 P.M. They will have recreation in the gym followed by their worship and study period. The topic for discussion this Sunday will be "Me and My Scoreboard — I Must Be A Good Sport". Judy Rice and Warren Stevenson will lead the discussion and worship. At 6:30 the youth will retire to the Fellowship Hall for the snack period.

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NOTES

DO NOT PARK! The family at 4823 So. Alhoun, just across from the church has requested that our people do not park over their driveway. They will, of necessity, call police if this type of parking continues.

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Recently the Wm. May Construction Company placed crushed stone on the parking lot. The President of the Company, Mr. Wm. May, donated the price of the labor. We wish to express sincere thanks for this fine donation.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

New members coming to us during December are: Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Blaisg, Mrs. Mary Ann McLellen, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Guingrich, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nickerson, Lee Nickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon A. Purdy, Carol Jean and Allen Purdy, Wayne C. Koehlinger, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chevalier and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweeney.

Our sincerest welcome is extended these new people. It is our prayer that they will enjoy their new Church home.

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because I, all unworthy, knew him not. I dare not miss one flash of loving cheer from alien souls, in challenge fine and high:

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—Simmons

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, December 29, 1957

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	8	
Nursery Department	15	1.06
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	15	1.84
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	18	2.62
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. F. Marion Coburn		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	26	2.25
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Barbara Raymond		
Upper Junior Department	17	2.07
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	8	1.20
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	29	4.66
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Donald Wasson		
Mr. Harry Harman		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	10	4.25
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	38	27.15
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. Paul Yentes		
Mr. James R. Shockney		
Mrs. George Duncan		
Progressive Class	23	7.50
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
Mrs. Kenneth Johnston		
Friendly Class	15	3.70
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	8	1.25
Mrs. C. D. Durfee		
Men's Class	13	7.00
Mr. David Hogg		
TOTALS	243	67.05

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants
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10:30 A.M. Junior Church
(Ages 7 to 11)
Junior Class Room.

10:30 A.M. Workshop for 4 and 5 year
olds. Kindergarten Room.

School for Christian Living 5:30 to 6:30
P.M.

6:30 P.M. Snack time in Fellowship Hall.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	315
Junior Church Attendance	51
Church School Attendance	243
Church School Offering	67.05
Regular Church Offering	473.51
Building Fund Offering	167.00
90 Days of Sharing	1357.00
School of Living	19.25
Christmas Offering	25.00

TOTAL \$2108.81

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Dye Circle will meet for its regular
meeting Wednesday, January 8 at 1:00
P.M. at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Dibble
2828 Cambridge Blvd.

The McGavran Circle will meet with
Mrs. C. F. Durfee, Tuesday, January
at 2 P.M. Mrs. J. C. Koegel will have
charge of Program, Devotions by Mrs.
Earl Fusselman.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs.
James Cain, 813 Kinnaird Ave. Wednes-
day, January 8 at 8 P.M. Program by
Mrs. Marion Coburn, Worship by Mrs.
George Wascovich.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with
Mrs. Albert Egly, 1927 No. Wells, at
P.M. Friday, January 3. Mrs. Irene Kissing-
er is the new president, Mrs. F. J. Worrel
Vice-President, Mrs. Eva Mosier, Secretary
and Mrs. G. C. Cahow, Treasurer. Mrs.
Albert Egly is the Class teacher.

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NOTES

Mr. J. Fred Riethmiller, member of our
Church, now living at the Emily E. Flin
home, Marion, wishes to take this mean-
to thank all his friends in First Christia
who remembered him with cards and
greetings on his birthday.

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A WAY TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To leave the old with a burst of song,
To recall the right and forgive the wrong
To forget the thing that binds you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not-worth-while of the days grow
old;
To dare to go forth with a purpose true,
To the unknown task of the year that
new;
To help your brother along the road
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer
Is to have and to give a glad New Year.
Robert Brewster Beattie

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We pause beside this door.
Thy year, O God, how shall we enter in
"Enter through me", He said, "nor move
For lo! I am the Door."

—L. Larcom

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There is something you can do to make
this world better. You can contribute
one consecrated life.

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No longer forward or behind
I look in hope or fear;
But, grateful, take the good I find,
The best of now and here.

—John Greenleaf Whittier



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, January 9, 1958

Number 15

Dear Christian Friends:

I wish that there were some wonderful place
In the land of Beginning Again;
Where all our mistakes and all our heartaches
And all of our poor selfish grief
Could be dropped like a shabby old coat at the door
And never put on again.

I wish we could come on it all unaware,
Like the hunter who finds a lost trail;
And I wish that the one whom our blindness had done
The greatest injustice of all
Could be there at the gate like an old friend that waits
For the comrade he's gladdest to hail.

We would find all the things we intended to do
But forgot, and remembered too late,
Little praises unspoken, little promises broken,
And all of the thousand and one
Little duties neglected that might have perfected
The day for one less fortunate.

It wouldn't be possible not to be kind
In the land of Beginning Again,
And the ones we misjudged and the ones whom we grudged
Their moments of victory here,
Would find in the grasp of our loving hand-clasp
More than penitent lips could explain.

For what had been hardest we'd know had been best,
And what had seemed loss would be gain;
For there isn't a sting that will not take wing
When we've faced it and laughed it away
And I think that the laughter is most what we're after
In the land of Beginning Again.

—Louise Fletcher Tarkington

Christ can make this new year the land of Beginning Again for you.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, January 12, 1958

ELDERS: Dr. A. C. Worley — W. C. Birkhold

DEACONS: Captain — George R. Bruckman, E-93186

Donald C. Smith
Jack E. Weicker
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Offering January 5 — \$5.13 — Attendance 70.

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Last week the choir sang soulfully;
The service stirred me from the start.
The Scriptures spoke of life to me,
The pastor's prayer inspired my heart.
The sermon lived, the hymns were thrilling.

Last week I brought a spirit willing.
Today the anthem was a flop;
Thy hymns were dead, the Scripture stale;
It seemed the prayer would never stop,
The sermon was a pointless tale.
The whole long hour was boring, dreary—
The service found and left me weary.
You wonder why this sorry plight?
Out too late on Saturday night!

—Galen Lee Rose

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers this Sunday are given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl in memory of their little son, Donnie Glenn Rayl.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 1958

The following are newly elected officers to the Official Board of the Church:

Trustees: Wendell C. Glass, David Ho

Elders: David Hogg, Grayston M. Cr
Glenn R. Miller, Harold W. Crowa
John S. Craig, Cecil Rice.

Deacons: Louis M. Culbertson, Laure
Coleman, Marion Coburn, James C
William Bennett, Kenneth Edwa
Solon Merriman, Frank M. Moody, P
E. Truby, Bueford Tharp, LeRoy
brook, Gorden Welker, Paul Yentes, J
Brickley, Albert Powell.

Deaconesses: Mrs. Harold Crowder, M
Wm. Love, Mrs. Myron Cole.

Special Officers:

Eural G. Rose, Treasurer
Wm. H. Crouse, Financial Secretary
David Hogg, Maxwell P. Smith, All
Powell, Herman W. Sigrist, Assis
Financial Secretaries.

Mrs. Owen Vaught, Church Clerk
Miss Mildred Hartman, Miss Milc
Hutchinson, Church School Supe
tendents

Lawrence A. Horn, Church School Fir
cial Secretary.

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James R. Shockney, Chairman, Offi
Board

Dale C. Hiler, Vice-Chairman

David Hogg, Chairman, Board of T
tees.

Maxwell P. Smith, Chairman, Board
Elders.

Myron M. Cole, Chairman, Board
Deacons.

Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad, Chairman, Board
Deaconesses.

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ORDINATION — INSTALLATION

Members of the Board of Deacons i
be ordained and installed next Sun
morning at the Morning Worship Ser

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THOSE IN SORROW

We wish to extend our sincere sym
to Mrs. B. W. Leversee in the recent
of her dear mother, Mrs. Belle Kan
May she and her family be comforted
ing their hours of sorrow.

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AMONG OUR SICK

James Buchanan, son of Mr. and
Virgil Buchanan, had an operation
cently on his throat, and is recuper
at home.

Mr. Ward Bundy is a patient at
Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Billy Heath is still in St. Jose
Hospital.

Robert Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs.
ald Elliott, is a patient at Lutheran
pital.

Mrs. Lulu Cruse is a patient in
387, Lutheran Hospital.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Robert Perkins, 241 E. Woodland Ave., Monday evening, January 13, at 8 o'clock. Leaders: Mrs. Farlin Edwards and Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull. Devotions by Mrs. T. R. Eiler, Missionary News by Miss Verna Sullivan.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Herbert Banet, 933 W. Oakdale Drive, Tuesday evening, January 14, at 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Wm. Wetzel, Co-hostess; Program by Mrs. Edwin Hall, Devotions by Mrs. Wm. Love.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. W. C. Glass, 3924 S. Harrison St., Tuesday, January 14, at 1:15 P.M. Program by Mrs. Dale Parkerson, Devotions by Mrs. A. N. Shockney.

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The High School Christian Youth Fellowship resumed their regular program last Sunday evening with 26 members present. Plans are being made for their observance of "Youth Week" starting Sunday, January 26, and also for our youth and their Counselors, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical to participate in the City-wide Youth banquet January 30 at the First Methodist Church to further observe Youth Week. The universal theme for Youth Week is "Lord, Help Our Unbelief".

Next Sunday, January 12 the CYF will meet in the church gym at 5 P.M. for recreation. The worship and study period will be held in the Chapel from 5:30 to 7:30 following the recreation period. The topic for discussion next Sunday will be pertaining to "Me and My Scoreboard" and will be entitled, "I Must Be A Good Chooser". The purpose of this discussion is to help our youth discover how to budget their time, become aware of the Christian's need to be a good steward of time and to set up some standards by which choices can be made from among the many organizations, groups and other time consuming activities which confront teenagers today. This is expected to be a most interesting program. All High School age youth of the church are most welcome to attend CYF.

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The High School Basketball Team will play the Westfield Presbyterian team on next Monday, January 13 at 6:45 in the St. John's E. & R. gym. Let's all come and encourage our boys toward another victory.

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NOTES

DO NOT PARK! The family at 4823 So. Calhoun, just across from the church has requested that our people do not park over their driveway. They will, of necessity, call police if this type of parking continues.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, January 5, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	9	
Nursery Department	20	1.82
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	32	1.95
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	34	3.38
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. F. Marion Coburn		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	22	2.06
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Barbara Raymond		
Upper Junior Department	18	1.96
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	9	1.20
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	27	2.89
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Donald Wasson		
Mr. Harry Harman		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	20	7.02
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Business & College Class	4	1.35
Mrs. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Come-Double Class	40	22.25
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. Paul Yentes		
Mr. James R. Shockney		
Mrs. George Duncan		
Progressive Class	34	14.55
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
Mrs. Kenneth Johnston		
Friendly Class	18	9.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	8	10.00
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Men's Class	11	8.95
Mr. David Hogg		

TOTALS 310 \$88.38

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants
and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M. Junior Church
(Ages 7 to 11)
Junior Class Room.

10:30 A.M. Workshop for 4 and 5 year
olds. Kindergarten Room.

School for Christian Living 5:30 to 6:30
P.M.

Lectures on the Bible, by Mr. Wascovich.
6:30 P.M. Snack time in Fellowship Hall.

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A NEW CLASS

A new class in the Church School is
starting Sunday, January 5th for College
and Business men and women. Mr. Was-
covich will be temporary teacher of the
Class.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	422
Junior Church Attendance	70
Church School Attendance	310
Church School Offering	88.38
Regular Church Offering	866.07
Building Fund Offering	418.05
90 Days of Sharing	329.75
School of Living	29.93

TOTAL \$1732.18

WHAT DOES GOD SAY

about MONEY?

HE KEPT PART

*In the creation, God
reserved a portion for
Himself.*

GEN. 2:16-17

HE ASKS PART

*On Mt. Sinai, He com-
manded that His people
tithe.*

LEV. 27:30, 32

FOR HIS HOUSE

*He demands that the tithe
be brought to His House.*

JESUS AGREED

MAL. 3:10

*Jesus spoke of posses-
sions and our relation-
ship to them in 19 of the
26 parables. He endorsed
the tithe.*

MATT. 23:23

TITHING IS GOD'S DIVINE PLAN

COME-DOUBLE CLASS

The Come-Double Class will hold
monthly party in the church gym, Friday,
January 10, at 8 o'clock.

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COMMUNION

I am the bread of life, the Saviour said
And with the loaves and words, Men w
fed;

I am the vine, God's Son taught,
My Father is the husbandman —
branches,

Which He wrought.

This is my body, broken for thee,
Master said,

While breaking in his hands
The Apostles' bread;

This my blood was shed for thee—
took the cup,

Bidding his friends take theirs, too,
With Him sup.

○ Broken Bread, broken for me, O Live
Bread!

○ Bruised Vine, bruised for me, Sustain
Vine!

Let me take up the cup—remembering
A hungry world, broken and unfed,
People athirst for thee, adrift, misle
Needing, as Galileans needed, thee!
○ living Vine and Bread!

—Mary Dickerson Bangham.



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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 1, 1958

Number 31

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

What a wonderful day it was in the life of First Christian Church this past Sunday morning! There were 424 in the adult worship service and 66 in our Junior Church, a total of 490. This was an inspiring service and six splendid people took membership in our fellowship: Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan, Mr. & Mrs. Orville Moody, these four by transfer membership; and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Speicher by confession of faith and baptism. We extend to each of these fine Christians our heart-felt welcome, and our prayer that they will be happy and active within our fellowship.

These next few weeks will be most exciting in the life of our great church! This coming Sunday morning is NEW HYMNAL SUNDAY, when each member is asked to share in this project to obtain new and better worship hymnals. Each book will cost \$1.00. We hope you will share in this project.

Sunday, May 11, is MOTHER'S DAY in the life of our great Church. Once again the church will honor all Christian mothers by presenting four lovely potted plants. They will be given to the following mothers: the youngest, the oldest, the mother with the largest family present, and the mother present from the greatest distance. PLAN TO HAVE YOUR MOTHER present in this service to honor all our Christian mothers!

Sunday, May 18th: will be STATE CONVENTION SUNDAY! On the afternoon of the 18th the 19th Annual State Convention of Christian Churches in Indiana will get underway! Registration is \$1.00 — and we are HOSTS TO THIS GREAT OCCASION! As such we have been given a goal of 200 for pre-registrations! Have you made your registration this past week — if not, then do it real soon!

On the 18th of May we shall have as our honored guests the Commandery of the York Rite Bodies of Masons. Many of our members belong to this great organization (including your minister), and we are proud to have them as our guests.

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "THE GREATEST NEED OF OUR TIME — LIGHT GIVERS"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, May 4

ELDERS: Hugh D. Rice — Robert E. Clipp

DEACONS: Captain, Paul E. Yentes —
H-57415

William R. Love
Ben G. Taylor
Lawrence A. Horn
Jerry L. Brubaker
W. Harry Imbody
Myron Cole
Robert Rayl
C. Hendrickson
Ward W. Bundy
Olos G. Fox
Verlin J. Warnock
Kenneth L. Edwards
Gorden E. Welker

ASSOCIATE DEACONS FOR MAY
(Serving Second and Fourth Sundays)

John Hechler
Leon Johns
Stanley Cole
John Jefferies
James Heavin
Earl Fusselman
Arza Smith

JUNIOR DEACONS (Associate)

Allan Flowers
John Young
Fred Van Fossen
Richard Cole
Richard Dobson
William Scott
Fred Gudakunst
John Johnston

DEACONESS FOR MAY

Mrs. Earl Fusselman

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR MAY

Mrs. Wm. R. Love

Money is an article which may be used
as a universal passport to everything ex-
cept Heaven, and as a universal provider
of everything except happiness.

—Wall Street Journal

"My business," said William Carey, "is
to extend the Kingdom of God. I only
cobble shoes to pay expenses."

The Church that, in its passion for others
forgets itself will, in that forgetfulness,
find itself.

—W. H. P. FAUNCE

FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with
Mrs. A. N. Shockney, 4840 So. Hanna St.
Friday evening, May 2 at 8 o'clock.

'58 CLASS

Saturday, May 10, the class party will
be held at the church. Also come join us
on Sunday morning. We meet in the
northwest corner of Fellowship Hall. There
is always a fine lesson and discussion
with a bonus of coffee and donuts every
Sunday morning.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Nelson Circle will meet at the home
of Mrs. Lee Bragg, 4131 Fairfield Av.
Wednesday evening, May 7, at 7:30. Pro-
gram: "Japanese Witness For Christ", Mr.
Coburn. Worship by Mrs. Geo. Wascovic.
There will be an election of officers.

The McGavran Circle will meet with
Mrs. C. F. Durfee, Tuesday, May 6 at 2:
P.M. Program by Mrs. Earl Fusselman.
Devotions by Mrs. J. C. Koegel.

The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mr.
L. H. Higgins, 213 W. Fleming, Wednesday
afternoon, May 7, at 1:00 o'clock.

Tickets for the Christian Women's Fel-
lowship banquet, May 18, may be secured
from Mrs. W. C. Birkhold. Price \$1.50.

NURSERY NEEDS!

The Nursery needs one or two more
cribs. If you have one you wish to dis-
pose of, please call Mrs. J. S. Craig, K-122.

The Department of Family and Chil-
dren's Service, 3024 Fairfield have inquired
if any of our members would be interest-
ed in boarding older children. If so, please
call the Service Bureau.

KEEP SILENCE

"Keep silence, friend, for some have
come to cast their care on God today
and some to praise from thankful hearts
— some "Thy Kingdom Come" to pray.
Keep silence, let Him speak anew —
every heart — perhaps to you."



CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, April 27, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	15	.50
Nursery Department	28	2.49
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Nursery Department	31	3.12
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Nursery Department	39	2.93
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Nursery Junior Department	26	2.19
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Nursery Junior Department	21	1.92
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Nursery High Department	9	1.70
Mr. Myron Cole		
Nursery School Department	29	3.36
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Victor Sterling		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
Nursery "58" Class	30	10.75
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Nursery Double Class	49	27.40
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Nursery Progressive Class	37	17.71
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Nursery Friendly Class	17	3.75
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Nursery Bible Class	5	1.15
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Nursery Men's Class	15	9.15
Mr. David Hogg		
Nursery New Class	7	7.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	362	\$95.12

CONVENTION NOTES

PRE-REGISTRATIONS

We are the Host Church for the 119th Annual Indiana State Convention, May 18-20. Sessions will be held in Plymouth Congregational Church.

Pre-registration fee is \$1.00 for adults; 50c for youth. Make your check payable to Indiana Christian Missionary Association. Pre-registration should be in before May 15. They can be made through the church office.

These funds are used to pay the normal expenses of the Convention. As hosts we should assume our rightful share. You can help by registering now. Registration fee at Convention time is \$1.50 per person.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

BANQUET

INDIANA STATE CONVENTION

CMF banquet tickets may be purchased from the following men: Marion Coburn, K-8263; Max Finkhausen, K-4355; Lee Bragg, H-50091; Olos Fox, T-2683; Kenneth Edwards, H-02631 and C. Hendrickson, A-2718. The banquet will be held May 18 at 5:30 P.M. at St. John's E. & R. Church. Tickets \$1.50. We have only 50 tickets for this church, so get your ticket early. Reservations must be in by May 16.

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ROOMS! ROOMS!

100 Rooms are needed to house our Convention guests, May 18, 19, 20. Please call our Chairman of Hospitality, Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, H-4920 if you will house a guest for these nights. You will receive \$2.00 per person per night and breakfast is optional.

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The greatest theft of all time is the spectacle of man stealing his existence from God. The moment we treat one hour of time, one square foot of soil, one ability or talent as if it is ours to do with as we please—that moment we are embezzlers.

Only God has title to existence, whether it be the existence of a star, a day, a molecule or you.

Everything you have, therefore, is a loan from God. He may lease it to you on a short term basis or long. Today you may have wealth, tomorrow not.

Only one gift is conveyed to you in title. One gift, and one alone, cannot be taken from you ever, against your will. This gift is forgiveness and life eternal with Him. Neither the angels of heaven nor the demons in hell, nor God Himself, can take from you the right to be His throughout life and eternity. It is the will of God Himself to give you the Kingdom. A Cross certifies this right to you forever more. You lose it only by you yourself surrendering it. You keep it in a faith which He bestows upon you. And in keeping it you have life!

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munion — Church Sanctuary.

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants
and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M. JUNIOR CHURCH
PRIMARY CHURCH
KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	424
Church School Attendance	362
Regular Church Offering	683.04
Building Fund Offering	170.25
Church School	95.12
Hymn Books	46.85

TOTAL \$995.26

Junior Church Attendance	66
Junior Church Offering	3.04

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AMONG OUR SICK

Ralph Simmons is a patient in Room
211, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Milo Miller underwent surgery sev-
eral weeks ago and is now convalescing
at her home.

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OUR SYMPATHY

Mrs. James Naile had word last Wednes-
day of the sudden loss of her father in
New Zealand. Our sincere and heartfelt
sympathy goes out to her in this time of
sorrow.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cahow celebra
their 50th Wedding Anniversary last A-
17. Congratulations and every good w-
go to this fine couple.

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MIRACLES

MIRACLES—A miracle is nothing n-
... according to my book ... because
see one everywhere ... I turn my e-
to look ... some person is alive to-
... although his car is wrecked ... c-
some poor fellow finds a job ... he ne-
could expect ... the mailman brings so-
money that ... enables me to meet ...
the payment on a debt that would ...
have left me on the street ... a bo-
keeps on breathing with ... the blo-
that someone gives ... and somehow
this selfish world ... the lowly beg-
lives ... which goes to show that mirac-
... are part of every day ... and th-
are part of God's design ... to help
on our way.

—James J. Metcalf

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will meet at
church next Sunday, May 4, at 5:30
8:00 P.M. Each will bring a covered c-
and table service. Following the m-
the youth will assemble in the Cha-
for the evening program. Fred Gudaku-
will conduct the worship service and Ju-
Rice will conduct the study period.

The topic to be discussed this Sun-
will be concerning some ways we m-
know God. The title of the discussion
be "God Reveals Himself Through Perso-
Worship". The purpose of this discuss-
will be to help to lead the youth into
new awareness of their relationship
God as a Father who loves His child-
and desires that they discover more w-
in which to have fellowship with him.

Recreation in the gym will follow
discussion period. All High School
youth of the church are invited to be
part of our CYF.

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The feelings are to be disciplined, s-
passions are to be restrained; true
worthy motives are to be inspired; a
profound religious feeling is to be
stilled, and pure morality inculcated un-
all circumstances. All this is compri-
in education.

—Daniel Webster

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On the Day of Pentecost the com-
of the Spirit upon a company of wait-
disciples changed them from an aggre-
tion of units into one corporate wh-
the Church of the living God.

—G. Campbell Morgan



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June 16

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

After many months of planning the 119th Annual Convention of the Christian Churches in Indiana is at hand! Sunday afternoon at 2:00 P.M. Registration will begin at the PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. The schedule for Sunday is as follows:

- 2:00 Registrations — Plymouth Congregational Church
- 3:30-5:00 Functional Demonstrations
- 5:30-7:30 FELLOWSHIP DINNERS
 - C.M.F. St. John's E. & R. Church
 - C.W.F. Trinity Episcopal Church
 - C.Y.F. West Creighton Christian Church
- 8:03 EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE — Raphael H. Miller, Jr.
(Mr. Miller will bring the President's address).

The schedule for the other two days of the convention will be found elsewhere in TIDINGS.

Can you imagine what a thrill it has been for our people meeting in convention session over a period of 119 years! What changes have been wrought in over a century of Christian Fellowship! Do not miss any of these wonderful sessions! Get acquainted with some of our national leaders!

OUR GUESTS THIS SUNDAY will be the FORT WAYNE COMMANDERY NO. 4, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. They will be present in their traditional dress, and we hope you will bid them welcome. Never let any opportunity go by without making all of our guests welcome. Say a cheerful hello to all our guests, and bid them welcome. Urge them to come back. Take them as your guests to the Coffee Fellowship time!

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "THE GOOD MAN'S TEMPTATIONS"

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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	27	2.89
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Primary Department	36	3.27
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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New Class	8	7.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		

TOTALS 320 \$89.34



Tithing
HELPS
YOU
BUILD A LIFE
For God

The blessings that come from God are the true rewards to the tither.

"see that ye abound in this grace..." 2 Cor. 8:7

FIRST HONOR GOD WITH THE TITHE

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mr. Albert Powell is a surgical patient at Lutheran Hospital.

Steven Coleman underwent surgery this week at Parkview Hospital.

Mrs. Edna Campbell is a patient in Joseph's Hospital, Room 680.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Lee Brown and his family in the recent loss of his father. May they be comforted in this hour of sorrow.

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WORLD CONVENTION OF CHURCHES

Interested in tours before or after the World Convention at Edinburgh in 1960. There are four tours available before the Convention and eight following the Convention. These tours are of different length and price. For information, write for a free folder, to the

World Convention of Churches
Room 902—175 Fifth Avenue
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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers this Sunday are given by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weicker in memory of Mrs. Weicker's brother, James Thompson.

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HYMN BOOKS

We wish to acknowledge and thank the Friendly Bible Class for their donation of \$9.00 for new hymn books.

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Pentecost is great enough, important enough, and inspiring enough to be commemorated with all earnestness and devotion throughout all Christendom.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, May 18

DEERS: James Shockney — Bret Young

ACONS: Captain, Paul E. Yentes —
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Mrs. Wm. R. Love

NIOR ASSOCIATE DEACONS

ohn Johnston

Warren Stevenson

Robert Young

arry Carson

Phillip Carson

Thomas Ogles

Allan Flowers

Maurice Allen

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On May 25th at 7:30 P.M. in the Church
nctuary our High School Choir will
g a short program especially honoring
graduates from High School this year.

We are making an attempt at knowing
o all of the graduates are; the following
our list to date: Alice Richard, Arlene
ddleston, Linda Garrett, Peggy Mc-
land, Larry Carson, Steven Coleman,
d Van Fossen, John Young.

If you know of someone else please
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Christ lived in the flesh so that He
ght show us how to live in the Spirit.
f any man have not the Spirit of
rist, he is none of his.

—Romans 8:9

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MAY BREAKFAST

The C.W.F. May Breakfast will be held
Wednesday, May 21st at 9:00 A.M. in
Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Byron Spice, mis-
sionary to Latin America, is our guest
speaker. Mrs. Spice has been doing
evangelistic work at Peru St. Christian
Church, Asuncion, Paraguay. Mr. and Mrs.
Spice were missionaries to Mexico until
1952 where they were stationed at the
"Mountain of Light Farm" at Pabellon.

Special music for the Breakfast will be
given by Mrs. J. E. Weicker, Worship by
Mrs. H. G. Helmuth. The Dr. Dye and
Nelson Circles are in charge of the
Breakfast.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School Youth and their Coun-
selsors, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical wish
to extend a sincere "thank you" to all
members and friends of our church who
contributed, and also who helped in other
ways, to make our paper and magazine
drive a success last Saturday. These
efforts were truly appreciated.

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The High School Youth will not meet
at the church for their regular CYF meeting
this coming Sunday evening due to the
State Convention. Our Youth from First
Christian will assemble in the youth
meeting at 3:30 P.M. Sunday at the West
Creighton Christian Church. Following the
Youth meeting they will participate with
their Counselors in the CYF banquet, also
to be held at West Creighton Church at
5:30 P.M. The cost of dinner is 90c per
person.

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The Christian Youth Fellowship Con-
ference applications MUST be returned to
your Counselor, Mrs. F. E. Morrical by next
Sunday morning, and they are to include
your registration fee. The health certificate
will be mailed directly to the youth upon
receipt of his application.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Dwight Flowers was one of 9 Fort
Wayne students at University of Michigan,
among 793 Undergraduates, to be hon-
ored for outstanding scholastic achieve-
ment at the annual Honors Convocation.
He was a graduate of South Side High
School and received Freshman honors in
the College of Architecture and Design.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	373
Church School Attendance	320
Regular Church Offering	490.34
Building Fund Offering	191.85
Church School	89.34
Hymn Books	94.75

TOTAL \$ 866.28

Junior Church Offering	2.45
Junior Church Attendance	45

CONVENTION — Continued

Convention Session will open on Mo-
day at 9:00 A.M. with the Rev. Mr. R. L.
Miller, Jr. presiding. Bible Study by I.
S. Marion Smith. The address "To-
morrow's Educational Opportunities" by
Dr. O. L. Shelton, Dean, School of Religion

Monday Luncheons

CWF Presidents Luncheon — First Meth-
odist Church
State Church Secretaries—Y.W.C.A.
National Benevolent Ass'n.—Y.W.C.A.
Afternoon Session—2:00 P.M. The address
"Tomorrow's Social Opportunities" by
Dr. William W. West".

All Convention Dinner

School of Religion Banquet—Wayne Street
Methodist Church.
Evening Session—8:00 P.M.
Address "Tomorrow's Mission Opportu-
nities" by Dr. A. Dale Fiers.

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Tuesday Morning, State President, R.
Miller Jr. presiding. Bible Study, Dr.
Marion Smith. Address, "The Nature
of the Unity We Seek" by Dr. William
West.

Tuesday Luncheon

Ministers and Wives—Chamber of Com-
merce.
Afternoon—Address "Tomorrow's Personal
Opportunities" by Mrs. W. K. Evans.

All Convention Dinner

Town and Country—St. John's E. &
Church.
Evening Session 8:00 P.M. Installation
Officers. Address, "Tomorrow's Political
Opportunities" by The Hon. True
Morse.

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FLOWERS FOR CONVENTION

Our women have been asked to furn-
ish garden flowers for the National Benevol-
ent Ass'n. luncheon at the Y.W.C.A. Monday.
This is an SOS call to our folk who have
garden flowers. Will you kindly donate
some to this occasion. Please deliver them
to the Y.W. before 10:00 A.M. Monday.
Bring them to the Church, Sunday morning.
Thank you.

Mrs. Louis Culbertson,
Chairman of Arrangements

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CONVENTION NURSERY

A Nursery will be maintained at the
mouth Congregational Church for the con-
venience of mothers of young children and
babies who wish to attend the Convention
sessions.



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Volume 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 8, 1958

Number 32

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

This Sunday will be MOTHER'S DAY in the life of our great Church. To honor all Christian Mothers we will give a lovely potted plant to the following mothers: the youngest, the oldest, the mother with the largest family present, and the mother present from the greatest distance. Plan now to honor your mother by being present, and by bringing her to worship with you, where possible.

SUNDAY — THE 18th: will be the opening date of the 119th ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES IN INDIANA! Our church is host to this great gathering of Christians, and many outstanding speakers will make this one of the finest Conventions in the history of our people. The pre-registration fee is \$1.00 and our Church has a goal of 200. If you have not registered, do so at your earliest convenience!

As OUR SPECIAL GUESTS on Sunday the 18th, we will have the COMMANDERY OF THE YORK RITE MASONS. They will be present in their traditional dress and we are proud to have them as our honored guests.

SUNDAY — MAY 25th IS PENTECOST SUNDAY. This day marks the anniversary of the birth of the Church of Jesus Christ! On this Sunday that is as important as Easter, Christmas, the Brotherhood of the Disciples of Christ will challenge its people to be faithful in their giving by covenanting with God to tithe their income to the Kingdom of God. As all commitment is between a man and his God, so you will be challenged to tithe by the Church of Jesus Christ, but only you can make your decision to be faithful as Christian Stewards of the mercies of God. God's challenge found in Malachi to "TEST ME AND SEE . . ." You say you cannot afford to tithe? GOD REPLIES: "TEST ME AND SEE . . ." Read Malachi 4:12, etc.

Do not forget that by the tenth of every month our Church has a Building Fund obligation of \$2,700! We have not said too much about this, but we need to be reminded that every gift, both large and small, help to meet this large obligation.

SERMON: "THE DUTIES OF CHILDREN AND PARENTS"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, May 4, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	10	.50
Nursery Department	29	2.36
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	28	1.84
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	31	3.62
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	21	1.93
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Upper Junior Department	15	1.54
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	11	1.33
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	22	2.37
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Victor Sterling		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	33	9.30
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	47	25.55
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	28	14.40
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Friendly Class	14	7.67
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	6	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	8.75
Mr. David Hogg		
New Class	6	5.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	319	\$96.16

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Gail Hunt, 3122 Maple Lane, Tuesday evening, May 12 at 7:30 P.M. Program 1 Mrs. Stanley Cole.

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Pearl Heidecker, 4001 Indiana Avenue, Monday evening, May 12, at 8 P.M. Leader Mrs. Wm. Conrad, Missionary News, Mrs. Owen Vaught.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. Rolland Ripple, 3405 Central Drive, Tuesday afternoon, May 13 at 1:15. Mr. W. H. Imbody will assist the hostess. Program by Mrs. Cecil Rice, Devotions by Mrs. C. D. Dilts.

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The Annual May Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, May 21st.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF will have their monthly meeting at the Church on Monday evening, May 12 at 7 P.M. A fine program is being planned.

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CHI RHO

More than 100 Chi Rho's attended the Meet at the Central Christian Church, Elkhart, last Sunday. Louis Culbertson, Erin Rose, Marilyn Cole, David Johnston, David Moody and Martha Scott, represented our Chi Rho Youth. Mr. and Mrs. Eural G. Rose, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Culbertson accompanied the young people.

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Fathers and mothers, let us stop and think about the kind of influence we are leaving in the minds of our children, as we striving to bring them up in the nurture and the admonition of the Lord. Or, do we, by our own lives say to them that we do not believe the things we are to teach to them? LET US REMEMBER children imitate the things that we are more than the things that we say.

—Frank B. Guyer

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BARBEE YOUTH CONFERENCE

The CYF application blanks for attending the Barbee Lake Youth Conference have been distributed. These MUST be returned to your Counselor very soon in order to get your preferred week at the conference.

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LOOKING AHEAD:— The High School Youth will hold their annual Graduation Breakfast, to honor the graduates of the church, on Sunday, June 1st in the Lookout Dining Room at Baer Field Airport Restaurant. A fine program and decorations are being planned. Following the breakfast the Youth will attend the Morning Worship Service in a body. All graduates will wear their cap and gown.



HONOR HER ON

MOTHER'S DAY

ATTEND CHURCH

Through sorrow, trial, e'en death and tears, Mother's love endures.

It cannot be tarnished or soiled with passing of the years.

But greater far than Mother's love and all that she has done.

Is God's redeeming, cleansing love—the blood of Christ, His Son

Your Mother Will be Proud to Know You Attended Church to Honor Her



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NURSERY NEEDS!

The Nursery needs one or two more ps. If you have one you wish to dis- se of, please call Mrs. J. S. Craig, K-1229.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

PAPER DRIVE, MAY 10th

The CYF will hold a paper and magazine drive from the church next Saturday morning, May 10. The High School youth and Counselors will meet at the church at 9:00 A.M. Saturday morning. Each will bring a covered dish and table service for an all day get-together. We urge all members and friends of the church who possibly can bring their papers and magazines to the church to do so. However, if you are unable to deliver your papers you may call the CYF Counselor, Mrs. F. E. Morrical, H-75473, or the church office, H-6222. A large truck from the Fort Wayne Waste Paper Company will be in the church parking lot from Friday evening until Monday morning.

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Due to Mother's day Sunday, May 11, there will be no CYF meeting on Sunday evening. The following Sunday, May 18, the High School Youth will attend the State Convention meeting to be held at West Creighton Christian Church at 3:30 P.M. Following the Youth meeting at 5:30 they will participate in the State Yotuth banquet also at West Creighton Church. The cost will be 90c per person. PLEASE GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN TO YOUR COUNSELORS NOT LATER THAN MONDAY, MAY 12.

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The Department of Family and Children's Service, 3024 Fairfield have inquired if any of our members would be interested in boarding older children. If so, please call the Service Bureau.

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Church School Attendance	319
Regular Church Offering	787.96
Building Fund Offering	319.25
Church School	96.16
Hymn Books	190.85
TOTAL	\$1394.22

Junior Church Offering

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class will have a
Bowling party Friday night, May 9th at 7
o'clock at Key Lanes. Refreshments will
be served after the party at the home
of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cole, 7430 U.S.
24, West. Join us for a wonderful Chris-
tian fellowship each Sunday morning in
the Gym.

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THE SOUL OF A CHILD

The soul of a child is the loveliest flower
That grows in the garden of God.
It climbs from weakness to knowledge and
power,

A CHRISTIAN MOTHER'S SECRET

Someone asked a mother whose child
had turned out very well, the secret
which she prepared them to be useful
for the Christian life. Without hesita-
tion she said, "When in the morning I wash
my children, I prayed that they might be
cleansed by the Saviour's precious blood."

"When I put their garments on them
I prayed that they might be arrayed in the
robes of God's righteousness, and their
garments of salvation. "When I gave them
the food, I prayed that they might be fed
with the "Bread of Life" which came
down from God out of heaven.

"When I started them on the road to
school, I prayed that their faith might
be as the shining light, brighter and
brighter on to a perfect day.

"When I put them to sleep, I pray
that they might be enfolded in the
Saviour's everlasting arms."

No wonder her children were early
to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus
Christ; and became adornments to the
doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

—Ft. Lauderdale Headlines

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'58 CLASS

The Class will hold a party Satur-
day May 10 at 7:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall
of the Church. The plans for the party
are being made by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bry-
ant, K-9748 and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bron-
son, H-79106. An evening of games and
a weiner roast is in store for all those who
come. A short business meeting will
be held. For further information please
contact the couples named above. Come join
for lots of fun and fellowship.

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AMONG OUR SICK

George Skelton is a patient in Room
371, Lutheran Hospital.

Albert is also a patient in Lutheran
Hospital, Room 471.

Michael Ogles, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Robert Ogles, is in Lutheran Hospital,
Room 217.

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OUR SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is extended
to Mrs. Hilda Geyer Brown in the re-
cent loss of her brother, Mr. B. F. Geyer.

Also, we extend our sincere sym-
pathy to Mrs. Victor Sterling whose father,
Scott Chapin, Mexico, Indiana, passed
away this last Monday.

May these fine folk be comforted
in their hour of sorrow.

To the sky from the clay and the clod,
To beauty and sweetness it grows under
the care,

Neglected, 'tis ragged and wild!
'Tis a plant that is tender, but wondrous
rare

The sweet, wistful soul of a child.



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Dear Christian Friends:

Well another great convention of the Christian Churches is now history. And a lot of people around First Christian Church are glad it is history! There was a tremendous task involved in preparing for the convention, but I'm certain that all who worked so hard to make it a success know how grateful the people of our churches from across the state really are. May I say a hearty "THANK YOU" for your splendid support of the convention, for your untiring efforts in preparing for your role as hosts, and for the gracious way in which you served!

The convention ended on Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday morning I caught the plane for St. Louis to attend the Home and State Missions Planning Council, on Wednesday and Thursday. This is the body which plans the work of our great Brotherhood's cooperative work. So you see we are in on the plans being made for years to come yet to come.

ONE OF THOSE PLANS projected several years ago was to raise the level of our Christian STEWARDSHIP! From Easter to Pentecost this year our entire Brotherhood is on a coast to coast have been emphasizing our responsibility as STEWARDS OF THE KINGDOMS OF GOD! On Pentecost Sunday in all of our Churches our people will be challenged to tithe their income to the Kingdom of God, and to dedicate their talents and time in the service of the Saviour.

With Sputnik III whirling about in space, we are reminded that a godless society arrayed against those who profess to believe in a redeeming God. The rude reception given to our Vice President, Mr. Nixon, is added proof that the communists are out to destroy western civilization! NOW IS THE TIME FOR US TO THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT OUR SHARE IN WORLD REDEMPTION! What will your role be in this conquest of selfish communism at home and abroad?

There are some of you who have sons and daughters, but whose giving reflects that you'd rather give your sons and daughters in another bloody, brutal conflict, than send the gospel which is "the power of God unto salvation" unto ALL who believe. Believe me it is a bad choice! Let us not wait until the plague strikes mankind, and then apply the remedy even now.

THE TIME TO TITHE IS NOW!

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Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	35	4.59
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	25	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Upper Junior Department	17	1.88
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	10	1.45
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	31	3.69
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
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Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	16	6.50
Mr. David Hogg		
New Class	12	6.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	371	\$98.01

WORLD CONVENTION OF CHURCHES

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WHAT TITHING DOES TO YOU

Canon Howard Harper enumerates certain results:

Tithing makes God central in one's giving and his living.

Tithing expresses gratitude and develops greater gratitude, thus enriching life.

Tithing makes worship easier and more meaningful in the giving of self and thus deepening your relationship to your Creator.

Tithing is not really giving, but returning some of God's money to Him, thus becoming a partner with the Almighty.

Tithing results in a feeling of really being IN the church, in relationship with others doing the great work of the Kingdom.

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On May 25th at 7:30 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary our High School Choir will sing a short program especially honoring our graduates from High School this year.

We are making an attempt at knowing who all of the graduates are; the following is our list to date: Alice Richard, Arler Huddleston, Linda Garrett, Peggy M. Farland, Larry Carson, Steven Coleman, Fred Van Fossen, John Young.

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Arthur Richardson is a patient at Parview Hospital, Room 231.

Young Damon Perdue, son of one of our newer families, is in Lutheran Hospital.



WHY Should I Give?

Giving is the Law of Life

There is no harvest without seed, no gain without investment, no success without sacrifice. The richest life is the life of service.

Giving is the Law of Love

The motive of love is sharing. The greatest joy is the joy of helping those we truly love. We give because we love. Giving increases love, makes it more real.

Giving is the Law of Growth

An unused muscle becomes weakened; an unexpressed thought soon dies; an unexercised talent declines. In the natural, social, or spiritual realm we gain in strength by use.

*The More You Give
The More You Will Have to Give*

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Mrs. Wm. R. Love

MAY 27 — CALLING NIGHT

Members who can please meet at the Church at 7 P.M. to go calling on prospects for our church.

Wm. Love, Chrmn., Visitation

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance 426
Church School Attendance 371
Junior Church Attendance 37

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WHAT TITHING DOES FOR YOUR CHURCH

Kenneth M. Johnston writes a testimony
of what tithing did for his church and is
doing for many others:

Tithing is consistent with the Scriptures
as a definite way of supporting one's faith.

Tithing meets the financial needs of the
church and at the same time meets the
needs of tithers.

Tithing increases the spiritual depth of
the whole congregation.

—From Minister's Bulletin

SINCERE THANKS I

We wish to take this opportunity
thank the many people who offered the
homes for the Convention; the decorat-
committee for the lovely decorations for
the C.W.F. banquet and N.B.A. Luncheon;
the women who served at Registration
Reception, Hospitality, Information, Snack
Bar and in various other capacities. Your
fine cooperation and willingness to serve
was greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, CWF President.

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"WHY CALL ME LORD, LORD— AND DO NOT THE THINGS I SAY"

A little rural church had been constant
in debt, unable to pull its weight in the
missionary program. One year their Of-
ficial Board asked the local miller to be
treasurer. He agreed on condition he
would not have to make a report until
the end of the year and provided no one
would ask him any questions during the
year. The congregation assented. When
the year was up the miller reported that all
obligations had been met on time, the
church was out of debt, and had increased
its giving to missions. In amazement mem-
bers asked how this had been accom-
plished. THEY WERE ASTONISHED WHEN
HE TOLD THEM THAT AS EACH MEMBER
BROUGHT HIS CORN AND WHEAT TO
BE GROUND, HE HAD SET ASIDE ONE
TENTH OF IT AND SOLD IT AND PUT
THE MONEY IN THE CHURCH'S TREAS-
URY. THEY HAD NOT EVEN MISSED THE
TITHES! More than this, they had prospered
so themselves that they unanimously voted
to continue tithing to their church in the
manner in the future. Such simple arrange-
ments as the rural miller made are readily
available to us. But tithers say they grow
along better when they return God's
tenth than they did when they kept even-
thing (except 'token') for the Lord's
themselves.

—Copied from 'Church Life'
Santa Monica Christian

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Due to the fact that the graduates class
to be honored this Sunday evening, the
regular C.Y.F. meeting has been cancelled.

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Pentecost was preceded by prayer, pre-
cipitated by prayer, and can only be
perpetuated by prayer.

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The Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pen-
cost:

In a sound, to awaken them;
In a wind, to move them;
In fire, to enlighten and warm them;
In tongues, to make them speak.



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

June 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 29, 1958

Number 34

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

This week saw our church members take a major stride forward in the realm of ritual commitment. Some 100 people have decided to "try God's way" by tithing their income for Kingdom Causes, and several hundred more pledged themselves anew to the Christ of God! As William Carey said so long ago, "Attempt great things for God, and expect great things from God." God will never become very real to us until we lift our allegiance to Him above the level of catch-as-catch-can!

Have you noticed the parking lot? It has doubled our parking capacity and ought to have taken care of the mud and water problem we faced each time it rained. Thank you for trustees who get things done!

NEW SONG BOOKS ORDERED! Yes, this week saw the church order the new song books which will add so much to our services! To the many of you who shared in this project the church says, "Thanks a million." When many share the burden it is easy to manage, but when left to a few it is difficult to handle. Great churches are built when many devout Christians share in the program of the Kingdom of God. Our Church is well on its way to becoming a truly great Church!

CHILDREN'S DAY OFFERING: The first Sunday in June each year is Children's Day, as all across the world our Great Brotherhood takes up a special offering for foreign missions! The entire offering given through the Bible School this coming Sunday will be used to advance the cause of Christ in the foreign fields. Will the little children all over the world have an opportunity to know Christ, even as our own little ones? That depends largely on you!

The morning worship services from 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. will be broadcast each Sunday during June over Radio Station W.G.L.

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "GOD'S BECKONING SKYLINE"

BE A TITHER — NOT A TIPPER!

FELLOWSHIP

with



God

MEANS clasping His outstretched hand . . . It means walking with Him every day, every hour of the day . . . It means confident, glorious living.

**GOD HAS DONE HIS PART
HAVE YOU DONE YOURS?**

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, June 1

ELDERS: Rolland R. Ripple — Eural G. Rose

DEACONS: Captain—Albert Powell, K-5095

Wm. J. Conrad
A. Jefferson Young
Solon E. Merriman
Harold K. Pritchard
Frank M. Moody
Romane H. Cole
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FRIENDLY BIBLE CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Mr. M. G. Heller, 3224 Broadway, Friday evening, June 6 at 8 o'clock. Mrs. E. Schlatter will assist the hostess.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Laurence Coleman is a patient Lutheran Hospital, Room 246.

Mrs. Irene Cline is in Lutheran Hospital having undergone eye surgery.

Mrs. Robert Keithley is a patient Parkview.

Mr. Albert Powell is still in Lutheran.

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STORK NEWS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. Winans on May 19. Congratulations this fine couple.

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Whoso loves a child loves not him but God; whoso delights a child labor with God in His workshop of the world hearts; Whoso helps a child brings to Kingdom of God; whoso saves a child from the fingers of evil sits in the seat with the builders of cities and the procurers of peace.

—Norman Duncan

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THANK YOU!

The Church says, "thank you" to one of our fine couples who made a gift of \$500 certificate of Participation. This means a saving in interest and lower our debt by \$500.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Fox, R.R. 15, Broadmoor Ave., Wednesday evening, June 4th, at 7:30 P.M. Marion Coburn — program; Mrs. George Wascovich, worship. Transportation can be arranged with Mrs. James n, and Mrs. Max Finkhausen.

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The Fellowship Guild will hold their annual picnic at the home of Miss Ethel Meyer, 4821 Tacoma, Monday evening, June 9 at 6:15 P.M. Bring table service. Installation of Officers will be a part of the evening's program.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Men Vaught, 4035 S. Fairfield, Thursday, June 5 at 8 P.M. Mrs. C. E. Fuchshuber — program; Mrs. E. G. Rose, Worship.

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The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Wayne Rousseau, 4002 Hoagland Avenue, Wednesday afternoon, June 4 at P.M.

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The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Della Howell, 1122 Michigan Ave., Thursday, June 3. This will be a carry-in session at 1:00 P.M.

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MY CHURCH DESERVES MY BEST

BECAUSE it heralds abroad the best news that this world has ever heard—the precious Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ—bringing eternal life and hope to who believe.

BECAUSE in Christ and His Holy Word it alone holds the solution to my ills; the answers to my problems and the remedy to my ills.

BECAUSE it is a tremendous force for good in the community and the bulwark against evil Satanic forces that would undermine and destroy the Christian way of life.

BECAUSE it is always ready to come to my side in the hour of trial, sorrow and need. Its divine message quiets the soul and gives me peace and assurance in the midst of a restless world.

BECAUSE through its program I have part in the ministry of Eternal Things—not only in my own community, but around the whole world, as my representatives, missionaries, go forth to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Let This Be Your Decision —

I WILL GIVE

OUT OF A GRATEFUL HEART."

On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and give, as he may prosper, so that contributions need not be made when I come."

*There is something you can do to make this world better. You can contribute one consecrated life.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, May 25, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	18	.50
Nursery Department	24	1.34
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	31	2.16
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	37	3.35
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
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Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	10	2.00
Mr. Myron Cole		
High School Department	24	4.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical		
Mr. Victor Sterling		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	36	21.50
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	61	26.80
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	26	13.55
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Friendly Class	16	3.25
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	8.50
Mr. David Hogg		
New Class	5	4.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	347	\$96.37

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	373
Church School Attendance	347
Regular Church Offering	627.69
Building Fund Offering	160.60
Church School	96.37
Hymn Books	10.00

TOTAL \$884.66

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MAY 18

Regular Church Offering	817.27
Building Fund	149.60
Church School	100.01
Hymn Books	84.00

TOTAL \$1150.88

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School C.Y.F. and their Coun-
sels, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical, will
observe their fourth annual Graduate
Breakfast on next Sunday morning, June
1, at 8:15 A.M. in the Lookout Dining
Room at Baer Field Restaurant. Invita-
tions have been made and issued to the
eight Graduates and elaborate decoration
have been planned. The Youth have spent
much time and effort on the last minute
details. Those graduates to be honored
are: Larry Carson, Steven Coleman, Lin
Garrett, Arlene Huddleston, Peggy M
Farland, Alice Richard, Fred Van Fosse
Robert Young.

Breakfast will be served promptly
8:30 A.M. The menu will be: tomato juice,
ham and eggs, buttered toast, sweet rolls,
coffee or milk. Following the breakfast
and program the Youth will leave for the
restaurant at 10:00 A.M. and assemble for
the worship service at the church where
they will sit together in a group for the
recognition service.

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The High School Youth will attend Chris-
tian Youth Fellowship Conference at Bar-
bee Lake June 22-28. Those expected to
represent the local youth group at the
time are: Ellen Crowder, Fred Gu-
kunst, Jean Ormond, Louise Ormond, Be-
trice Rice, Richard Skelton, Warren St-
enson, Robert Young. They are expected
to be at Barbee Camp at 3 P.M. on June 22.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

The following are the new members
who have joined our church fellowships
during April and May: Mr. and Mrs. Rob-
ert Rogers, Warren Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs.
Cecil Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Speich,
Mr. and Mrs. Teddy E. Bryan, Mr. and
Mrs. Orville Moody, Mr. and Mrs. B.
Winans, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Cowen and
Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Busch.

We sincerely welcome these fine families
into our church friendship and fellowship.

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There can be no final disharmony be-
tween thought and things, between faith
and knowledge, between science and reli-
gion. If there is any apparent disharmony
it must either be our knowledge that is
wrong or our faith that is not deep and
pure enough.

—John A. Hutton



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Summer is upon us with all of its joys and problems. The joys we share during summer are wonderful for every family and person. Each of us needs the recreating power of relaxation which comes from quiet times along your favorite lake, stream, or of course. But the problem every church faces is the vacation from church which so many members take. Each one of us needs to remember that the church needs us in its worship services, and needs our financial support during the months when so many families are away. The expenses of operating a great church do not take a vacation during the summer time!

We are living in some of the most critical times mankind have ever faced. But there is great virtue in times of adversity if we can measure up to our responsibility. If these are times that try men's souls," they are also times which expand the soul, drawing out all the soul's resources of strength and power.

Sunday I shall preach on the subject: "THE VIRTUES OF ADVERSITY." I hope you will think seriously of the good that can accrue to one's spiritual stature because of the age of adversity.

Remember that each of our worship services during the month of June will be broadcast over radio station WGL from 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. You will want to pass the word to your friends and neighbors, and to the sick and shut-in, but you need to be in the sanctuary to help swell the mighty chorus of God's praises.

MY CHURCH CAN COUNT ON ME

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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Installation of Officers will be a part of the evening's program.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Edwin R. Hall, 3406 MacArthur Drive Tuesday evening, June 10, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. C. E. Buskirk is co-hostess. Program by Mrs. J. L. Brubaker; Worship by Mrs. C. Hendrickson.

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The Kepple Circle will have a picnic next Tuesday, June 10. The group will meet in the Pavilion at Lakeside Park at 12:30. Mrs. Thomas Ogles will give the devotions.

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CWF AND CHURCH LIBRARY BOOKS

CALLING ALL BOOKS!! Search your book shelves and other nooks for books borrowed from CWF or the Church. Please return them as soon as possible. Our year ends June 30th, and we wish to get the books catalogued for the new year. Thank you!

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, CWF President,

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In following Christ it is the first venture that costs. Once on the way one does not find it harder than other ways. Like the entrance into chilly water, the worst is the plunge. The danger is that one will shrink from the venture, and that everything will be lost for the simple lack of the courage to begin.

The things men live by are found in the Word of God. In its pages men have found help for their deepest needs, comfort for their shattered spirits, light for their darkest hours.

Holy Scripture is set as a kind of lantern for us in the night of this present life.

—Copied

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Some folks don't let the right hand know what the left hand is doing because they don't want to embarrass the right hand.

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It was said of a certain man, he would not cast his bread upon the waters until he was sure it would come back a seven-layer cake.

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It is love that gives value to every other gift: love is the currency of faith in truth, the instrument of the Christian business.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF are entertaining their wives and dinner next Sunday, June 8, at 6:15 P.M. in Fellowship Hall of the Church.

Mr. Jack A. Sutton, National Director of Men's Work for the Disciples of Christ, will be the guest speaker.

The men are urged to bring their wives and come for an enjoyable evening together. The Nursery will be open for babies and a movie will be shown to the younger children.

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TOUR — JUNE 30

The World Outreach Committee is sponsoring a trip to Indianapolis by chartering a bus on Monday, June 30. We will tour the Missions Building and Butler School of Religion, with a possible trip to the Planetarium at Butler University.

Maximum number of passengers 4

Approximate cost round trip \$4.00

Leave 6:00 A.M.

Return late afternoon.

PAID RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY JUNE 23.

See Mr. W. C. Glass, chairman

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

or, call the Church Office.

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The
Tithe
Is
Holy

A SACRED TRUST

The Tithe Is a Sacred Trust from God...

The Way You Handle It is Important to God.

**BRING THE TITHE
TO GOD'S HOUSE
ON GOD'S DAY**

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The Chancel flowers this Sunday are a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad in memory of Mrs. Conrad's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones.

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THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mrs. H. W. Sigrist is a patient in Lutheran hospital. We pray for her early recovery.

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NURSERY NEEDS

Has your child outgrown its crib? The Church Nursery can use one or two more! Do you have a good sturdy rocker in your parlor, or tucked away in a corner of an unused room? The Church Nursery could use one! These items would be greatly appreciated.

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NEW HYMN BOOKS

The new Hymn books have been ordered. Several members have asked if they might purchase a hymnal for their home. We have ordered a few extras to supply the need. Contact the office if you are interested.

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PARKING LOT!!

Have you noticed the improved parking lot? Our sincere thanks to those responsible for this fine work. It is greatly appreciated by our members.

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Church School Attendance	290
Regular Church Offering	763.42
Building Fund Offering	303.60
Church School (Missions)	224.73
Hymn Books	144.00

TOTAL \$1435.75

JUNIOR CHURCH

Attendance	30
Offering	\$1.53

YOU CAN HAVEM . . . WE DON'T WANT'EM

An issue several weeks ago of the "Na-
tional Ave-news," the weekly publicatio
of The National Ave. Christian Church
Springfield, Missouri, indicated that t
following was a description of certain
their members. We trust the Ozark Moun
tains will be of sufficient heighth to confir
them to that area.

Tightwad Titus—He's got plenty and he
gonna keep it. He could afford to make
sizeable pledge, but to pay it, he'd have
take the padlocks off his hip pocket, an
that'd mean a trip to the bank where h
keeps the key in a safe deposit vault. H
is so tight it takes a monkey wrench f
him to turn a corner. He'll just make h
contribution when he comes, fifty cents
week. He figures on taking the rest wi
him.

Uncertain Ulysses — His intentions a
good but he never knows how much he
going to make and he doesn't want
make a pledge until he gets it all figure
out. His business sometimes is better th
it is at other times and he'd not want
make a pledge that wouldn't come c
even. It's never occurred to him that
could make a reasonable pledge, and th
add to it when he has a good year. I
just lets the Church guess whether he
give anything at all next year.

Postponer Pete—His intentions may
good but he wants to think it over aw
first. He agrees with all the reason
pledging and really intends to, after h
talked it over with his wife. He's be
thinking over last year's pledge for elev
months and eleven days and hasn't gott
around to sending it in yet. Just give h
a little more time.

Hard Luck Hank—He would just dea
love to make a pledge out of his sala
but he is putting a daughter throu
school, his wife had to have an operatio
his car broke down, and his insuranc
came due. His nose is red from cryin
something. But as soon as he gets on
feet, financially, he's going to sign up
nice-sized pledge. Likely, he'll bring
with him when they roll him down
aisle.

Sorehead Sylvester—Sure, he'd make
pledge to the Church, if they'd just r
things down there like they ought to
run. He never helps anything. He does
attend Church business meetings, or
much of anything else. But what the oth
do isn't what he wants done. As soon
they change their ways, he'll sign up
he doesn't change his mind.

P.S.—Incidentally, any similarity
tween the above and persons now resid
in Fort Wayne is strictly coincidental.

—Copied



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

June 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 12, 1958

Number 36

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

No one needed to tell the minister that school was out and that vacations had begun, our attendance at worship skidded to the 300 mark for the first time in ages! A member of our members confessed that they had listened to our broadcast as they dozed comfortably in bed! Imagine! Well, that way they were enlightened and refreshed at the same time. But let's get closer to the Lord's Table this Sunday, and help beat the summer slump!

On Sunday, June 22, we shall have as guest minister one of the "timothies" of the minister, Mr. Douglas Bell, minister of the historic Gordon Street Christian Church, Winston, N.C. will fill the pulpit. I baptized both Mr. and Mrs. Bell in my pastorate in Mobile, Alabama, and led Doug into the ministry of the Christian Church. He is a fine minister and I urge each of you to fill the church for this fine young Christian.

Did I tell you that on Pentecost there were over 100 who signed the tithing covenant? The covenant between a Christian and his God is a sacred thing, and we can discern the strong support of the church's program in every realm. It was interesting that last Sunday's offering was very fine, yet the attendance was very poor! I should like any member who finds that God does not keep His holy promise in this matter to tell the minister. In all my years in the ministry I have not found a single tither, but what promised God had more than kept His promise to bless the faithful abundantly. Keep your part of the covenant and you may be sure God will keep His!

Today's Sermon: "THE ALTERNATIVE TO FAITH"

YOU CAN COUNT ON YOUR CHURCH

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, June 15

ELDERS: Grayston Cripe — Glenn Miller

DEACONS: Captain—Albert Powell,
K-5095

Wm. J. Conrad
A. Jefferson Young
Solon E. Merriman
Harold K. Pritchard
Frank M. Moody
Romane H. Cole
Paul D. Truby
Merland G. Heller
Melvin Evans
Bueford Tharp
LeRoy Timbrook
Homer Stevenson

ASSOCIATE DEACONS FOR JUNE

(Serving Second and Fourth Sundays)

A. Neil Allen
John D. Freed
Wm. Caldwell
Carl H. Thomas
John C. Varner
Richard W. Baker
W. C. Glass
Billy O. Heath

DEACONESS FOR JUNE

Mrs. John S. Craig

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR JUNE

Mrs. Robert E. Clipp

PLEDGES! PLEDGES! PLEDGES!

The Christian Visitor of our church Union City, Tenn. has a very interesting article as follows:

In a survey made a few years ago, showed that 95% of the people use credit and 50% use charge accounts — **pledge**

Most of us have at some time or other made pledges to Ford Motor Co., General Motors, Chrysler Corp., and others. At most of us have made good on those pledges.

A check is in a sense a pledge—that the money is there.

My father pledged that he would do his best to give his boys an education which had been denied him.

Marriage is a pledge, one of the most profound one we ever make. It may be when your children were born, you made a silent pledge to give that child, or children, the very best in character and guidance you could give. Did you?

Pledges! Pledges! Pledges! All along through life, we make them. One wants to ask why are so many people so hesitant about making pledges to the church?

A man who was a candidate for public office asked a friend to vote for him. The friend replied, "I am sorry. I would really like to vote for you, but I have pledged myself to the other man."

To what, or to whom, have you pledged yourself?

God made a pledge, to send His Son. We read about it in John 3:16. That Son made a pledge to the Father and to men everywhere.

Now your pledge. Have you made one? Have you made good on it?

Think this over in regard to your church and its world program, when you make your pledge — or if you like it better, use the word **promise** — to your church.

—Clipped



A Friendly Greeting

**AN INSPIRING WELCOME
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
SOUND BIBLE TEACHING**

**AWAITS
YOU**

YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive meeting will be held in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M. General meeting at 8 o'clock, in the Church Parlor, opening with a short business session. Worship at the Montgomery Circle. Program — Panel Discussion on the "Moral Hazards and responsibilities of the Church in our community."

Mrs. Marion Coburn, Young Mother
Mrs. M. B. Kent, A Teacher
Mr. Maxwell Smith, Attorney
Mr. George Wascovich, representing the church.

Installation of Officers by Mrs. Arthur
Hospitality by the Fellowship Guild.
Refreshments will be served by the Circle
Presidents.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mrs. Charles Dilts is a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

James Hirshchy is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

Mrs. Delbert Deckard is a patient in Room 409, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. H. W. Sigrist is still quite ill at Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Irene Cline is in Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago for special treatment.

STORK NEWS

Lucinda Sue was born May 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitton. Mrs. Paul Whitton is proud grandmother.

A lovely baby girl has come to make home with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen
Living.

Our sincere good wishes go to these fine couples.

COME-DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class will entertain the '58 Class with a picnic Saturday, June 14 at Foster Park in Pavilion No. 1, from 10 to 7:30. Each family bring their own table service. The Come Double Class members bring a covered dish for your family and another family. Hot dogs, and drinks will be furnished. Games for the children are planned. In case of rain we will meet at the church.

CWF AND CHURCH LIBRARY BOOKS

CALLING ALL BOOKS!! Search your bookshelves and other nooks for books borrowed from CWF or the Church. Please return them as soon as possible. Our year ends June 30th, and we wish to get the books catalogued for the new year. Thank you!

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, CWF President,

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, June 1, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	15	.55
Nursery Department	26	2.15
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	25	3.06
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	38	3.07
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl		
Mrs. George R. Bruckman		
Mrs. C. E. Buskirk		
Lower Junior Department	20	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Upper Junior Department	15	3.52
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	3	.85
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	24	3.70
Mr. Victor Sterling		
Miss Susan VanFossen		
The "58" Class	33	21.50
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	53	24.80
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	24	12.25
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Friendly Class	12	2.40
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	6	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	7.00
Mr. David Hogg		
New Class	6	15.00
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
Totals	315	103.10

A WORD TO FATHERS

Much of life is made up of things we think we will one day do, of things we set aside, of things we leave too late. Among one of the things we could best determine to do this day would be for fathers and sons (and daughters) to draw a little nearer, to come a little closer, to take a little more time for a closer kind of companionship with those who mean the most.

Too many of us wait too long for treasured times together, for the intimate outings, for the quiet hours of an evening for the fuller talking out of important personal problems with the close confidence of an understanding heart. It is not so much the preaching of the precepts; it is not altogether even the providing—but the going with, the doing with, the being with that brings a closer kind of kinship.

Fathers are often too closely confined to the business of providing things physical and financial. Often in their daily pursuits, necessary to make the means, they make the home and provide the things by which their loved ones may better live, it is easy for fathers to become preoccupied with pressure and problems that they may sometimes leave some things too late.

One day all of us will stand before the Father of us all to give an account of what we have done with what we have had. And when that day comes for all of us, God grant that we shall be an honor to the "fathers of our flesh" as well as to the "Father of our spirits."

God bless the fathers who have faced the world for us, and grant that there may be a closer kind of companionship between fathers and daughters and sons and that all may seek to do the thing for one another that are sometimes left too late.

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TOUR — JUNE 30

The World Outreach Committee is sponsoring a trip to Indianapolis by charter bus on Monday, June 30. We will to Missions Building and Butler School of Religion, with a possible trip to the Planetarium at Butler University.

Maximum number of passengers
Approximate cost round trip \$4.
Leave 6:00 A.M.
Return late afternoon.

PAID RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY JUNE 23.

See Mr. W. C. Glass, chairman
Mrs. Wm. Caldwell
or, call the Church Office.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 15

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9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages, Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

Morning Worship Services are being Broadcast over WGL during the month of June. 10:30 to 11:30 A.M.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	285
Church School Attendance	315
Regular Church Offering	762.67
Building Fund Offering	292.55
Church School	93.10
Hymn Books	12.00
Missions	14.00

TOTAL \$1174.32

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NURSERY NEEDS

Has your child outgrown its crib? The Church Nursery can use one or two more! Do you have a good sturdy rocker in your attic, or tucked away in a corner of an unused room? The Church Nursery could use one! These items would be greatly appreciated.



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ume 16

Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 25, 1958

Number 50

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

In a book by Dr. Samuel M. Shoemaker, Episcopal Minister, I came across the following statements which I feel need careful consideration by all who claim to be followers of Christ:

"America is full of people, living on the blessings and benefits of Christian civilization, who never stop to think that this all came from something — we should not have freedom and human rights as we do, had not a faith once given them birth. How shall these things continue without the faith that nurtures them?"

"Dr. John Oliver Nelson says that believing Christians fall into one of five categories: (1) the strong silent type, who say they just 'live their faith'; (2) those who make casual remarks, such as saying they have been to church, or say their prayers; (3) the 'won't-you-attend type, who invite people to come to services, meetings, etc. where others say what they do not have the courage to say themselves; (4) those who talk publicly, speaking at meetings and leading them; talking with a crowd as they do not quite have the courage to do across a table with an individual; (5) and those who share their faith, in informal conversations, being sensitive to the other person's needs, giving to others the real core of their own faith. WHAT CATEGORY DO YOU FALL INTO?"

Is Christ real to you? Do you feel the thrill of His power, and the joy, and often the pain of His presence? Now is the time to return unto the Lord!

To make Christ real to an individual, the individual must **DO** something for Christ. Working for spiritual ends, praying for definite purposes, etc. The Church provides opportunities where individuals can serve God in Christ.

SEPT. 30 VISITATION EVANGELISM: TUESDAY — 7 P.M. (CHURCH WIDE)

Every Member Canvass Preparations — Sunday, October 5th

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will meet this Sunday evening in the Youth Room at 5:45 P.M. Each member bring a covered dish and table service. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whittemore are the new Counselors of our young people. The Youth are urged to come and get acquainted with this fine couple.

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The CYF High School group are having a CAR-WASH Saturday, September 27, from 9 A.M. to 5:45 P.M. at Hartman's Sunoco Station, opposite the Church. They urge you to bring your cars and they will greatly appreciate your patronage. The funds received will be used toward their pledge to the World Friendship Fund.

The first shift is asked to report at the church parking lot at 8:30 A.M. and will work until Noon. The other shifts will report at 11:30 A.M. at the Filling Station. Anyone who can work this Saturday please call either John Johnston, E-35262, or Merle Rice, K-4306.

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We wish to report that Susan Van Fossen's father is now home from the hospital. He has our sincere wishes for his complete recovery very soon.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

250

Non-Resident	25
Balance left to do the work	225
Members over 75 yrs. of age	20
Balance left to do the work	205
Members under 12 years of age	1
Balance left to do the work	204
Sick and those hospitalized	10
Balance left to do the work	194
Alibi-ers	50
Balance left to do the work	144
Easter & Christmas members	33
Balance left to do the work	111
Members too busy	41
Balance left to do the work	70
The Indifferent:	

1. Do not contribute
2. Inactive
3. About to be dropped from Church rolls

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Balance left to do the work	41
Members already tired and over-worked	39

Balance left to do the work	2
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JUST YOU AND ME!!! . . . AND, brother, you'd better get busy! . . . for it's way TOO much for me!

—Clipped

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, September 28

ELDERS: Rolland Ripple — Eural G. Ro

DEACONS for September:

Albert Powell, Captain K-5095
William J. Conrad
A. Jefferson Young
S. E. Merriman
H. K. Pritchard
Frank M. Moody
Romane H. Cole
Paul D. Truby
M. G. Heller
Melvin Evans
Bueford Tharp
LeRoy Timbrook
H. H. Stevenson

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ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Neil Allen
John D. Freed
Wm. Caldwell
Carl Thomas
John C. Varner
Richard W. Baker
Wendell C. Glass
Billy O. Heath

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DEACONESS: Mrs. Wm. H. Crouse

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HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Wm. Love.

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ATTENTION! CLASS PRESIDENTS!

We must keep before our people the fact that Building Fund Sunday is the first Sunday of each month. Our offerings on that day are of great importance if we are to continue to meet the \$2700 per month payment on our building indebtedness.

You will find a large placard in your Class room. On one side the words "First Sunday each Month, Building Fund Sunday" and on the reverse side the words "Today is Building Fund Sunday . . ."

We ask your cooperation in having that placard before your Class members each Sunday morning. Hang it in full view of your members. A word of announcement would be helpful. Thank you.

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CALLING NIGHT

Tuesday evening, September 30 is Calling night for our church. Men and their wives are urged to come out. We need your help in this very urgent business calling on prospective members. 7 P. M. is the time.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, September 21, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	11	.50
Nursery Department	26	2.73
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	32	3.57
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	32	3.38
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Lower Junior Department	23	2.92
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Upper Junior Department	20	3.37
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
on Heavin		
Junior High Department	12	2.75
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	7	1.13
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
the "58" Class	35	12.40
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Home-Double Class	49	24.11
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	27	10.06
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Friendly Class	16	3.43
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Devotions Bible Class	7	1.40
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	5.60
Mr. David Hogg		
Prayers	—	—
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	316	\$77.35

NURSERY NEEDS

Crackers for the Nursery are needed; These should be either Ritz crackers or graham wafers, or you may give the money.

We are still in need of another baby bed for our Nursery. Call Mrs. John Craig, K-1229.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church begins this year on October 5 at 10:30 A.M. The topic for the morning is, "Bible Magic" given by Mr. Richard Bireley.

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AMONG OUR SICK

At Lutheran Hospital:

Mrs. Blanche Mosebaugh, Room 589

Mr. Charles Tharp, Room 490.

At Parkview Hospital:

Mrs. Fern Teeple, Room 406.

At St. Joseph's Hospital:

Mrs. Fred Perdue, Room 467

Mrs. Nettie Barr, mother of Mrs. Carter Palmer has been ill for some time at her home, 2625 No. Wells St.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Dr. Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 So. Fairfield Ave., Thursday evening, October 2, promptly at 7:30. Program by Mrs. Irene Cline, Devotions by Mrs. C. E. Fuchshuber.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. F. Marion Coburn, 6216 Kent Rd. Wednesday evening, October 1, at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Rex Porter.

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The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. E. N. Schlatter, 926 Lake Ave. Wednesday afternoon, October 1st at 1:00 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Paul Truby, Devotions by Mrs. Robert Scott.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. Robert Scott, 1617 Edgewater Ave. Friday evening, October 3, at 8 o'clock.

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OUR PARKING LOT

The City Traffic Engineer suggests that on Sundays and at all other times when there is a large attendance, we park diagonally against the perimeter of the lot and the center line of the lot. By this method anyone can park easily. When leaving, one can back out into the lanes with safety and convenience.

City Regulations required the closing of Harrison Street entrances. Recently, considerable dirt has been hauled away and much stone has been added.

We thank the group of men who assisted in parking cars and trust they will continue in their good service.

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9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages, Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.

Primary Workshop.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, September 21

Church Worship Attendance	383
Church School Attendance	316
Regular Church Offering	760.41
Building Fund Offering	215.21
Church School Offering	77.35
Total Offerings	\$1052.97

15 MONTHS TO GO ! !

We have only 15 months to go on our present payment of \$2700.00 per month. After that time our monthly obligation on the indebtedness will be much, much less. Your Church needs your support!

— BUILDING FUND SUNDAY —
October 5

COMING EVENTS

October 5—EVERY MEMBER CANVASS
First Preparation Session
Film—"Through The Looking Glass".

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October 12—Ratify the Budget at Morning Worship.
Every Member Canvass—Preparatory Session.
Film—"The Kingdom Come".

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October 19—Every Member Canvass Begins.
Luncheon at Church for Canvassers.
Film—"Go Forth In The Master's Name".

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October 20, 21, 22—Every Member Canvass Follow-Up.

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October 17-22—International Convention Disciples of Christ. St. Louis, Missouri.

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October 5—Junior Church—10:30 A.M.

November 2—School for Christian Living
New Member Reception and Banquet.

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November 3-9—"Deepening Spiritual Life Crusade". Mr. Jack Sutton, Leader.

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NEWS ITEM

The Rev. Samuel Joel Burgess, one time pastor of this church, is in Veterans Administration Hospital at East Orange, N. J. having recently suffered a heart attack. Those wishing to write to Chaplain Burgess may address him at the Hospital Ward 5-A.



A MESSAGE FOR YOU

GOD'S message is direct to your heart, from the throne of the Most High . . . Christ seeks to present that message to you. But it doesn't come special delivery. You have to call for it.

**HEAR GOD'S MESSAGE
IN HIS HOUSE SUNDAY**

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M. STUDY 9:15 A.M.



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Number 1

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

This Sunday morning during the worship hour the junior church will once more welcome the youth of our church to worship. If your children are in the age range from 11 to 14, then there is a place for them in the extended worship program. There are three sessions of the youth worship series: Kindergarten Workshop, Primary Workshop, and Junior Church. This is a most rewarding experience for all who share in the growth of our lives toward God. Give your child the added benefits of this spiritual opportunity.

This Sunday afternoon at 5 P.M. (deferring to the World Series Watchers) the first of our EVERY MEMBER CANVASS preparation sessions will be held. The session will begin promptly at 6:00 P.M. The film, "THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS" will be shown, and a brief period of instruction given. Every man and woman who would like to share in this program of deepening the spiritual life of our church is invited to attend these sessions on the next three Sunday afternoons.

An effort will be made to organize an ADULT MIXED CLASS for all who are not now involved in an adult Bible School class. One of the proposed courses of study would be to delve into the achievements of archaeology and science in recent years which have validated the Bible as history. A recent book (Published 1956) entitled, "THE BIBLE AS HISTORY", by Werner Keller is a valuable contribution to our understanding of the events of Biblical history. In the introduction Mr. Keller, a German scholar interested in the results of scientific research, tells how he began his long quest and why, and concludes by saying, "In view of the overwhelming mass of authentic and well-attested evidence now available, as I thought of the skeptical criticism which in the eighteenth century onward would have demolished the Bible altogether, I have kept hammering in my brain this one sentence: 'The Bible is right after all!' If you are interested in such a class let the church office know of your interest.

Sunday's Sermon: "IN THE SERVICE OF THE KING"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, October 5

ELDERS: Floyd E. Morrical — David Hogg

DEACONS: for October

Captain, George R. Bruckman, T-0459

Donald C. Smith

Jack E. Weicker

L. M. Culbertson

Laurence Coleman

F. Marion Coburn

James Cain

Dale C. Hiler

Delmas Young

William Bennett

Carl D. Linn

Paul L. Carpenter

Jack B. Brickley

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ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Hendricks P. Love

Charles R. Ludwig

Phillip Uhl

Donald Wasson

Robert Hendricks

Howard J. Howell

Arthur Betz

Edwin R. Hall

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DEACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

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HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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To complain that life has no joys while there is a single creature whom we may relieve by our bounty, assist by our counsels, or enliven by our presence, is to lament the loss of that which we possess, and is just as rational as to die of thirst with the cup in our hands.

—Fitzosborne.

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God cannot assume responsibility for our lives unless we are willing for Him to control our spending and our buying. That involves not mere tithing, setting aside one-tenth of our income for religious uses, though that is a good beginning. It involves the stewardship of ten-tenths of our income.

—Albert E. Day

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. Robert Scott, 1617 Edgewater Ave. Friday evening, October 3, at 8 o'clock.

SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Sanctuary Choir enjoyed the first Coffee Hour of the Fall Season last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Hilda Geyer Brown. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Robert Perkins, President; Mrs. A. J. Powell, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Melvin Evans, Sec'y-Treas.

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The Choir will present a Vesper Service on Sunday afternoon, October 19, 3 P.M. at the Emily E. Flinn Home, Marion, Ind. This is one of the many such projects planned by the Sanctuary choir for the season.

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The Sanctuary Choir sang 8 numbers at the Maple Grove Christian Church Homecoming, Sunday, September 21. Mrs. J. E. Weicker was soloist, and Mrs. Weicker, William Wetzel, Carl Smith and Mrs. George Wascovich made up the quartette.

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JUNIOR CHOIR

The Junior Choir will have its first rehearsal beginning Wednesday, October 1, and continuing each Wednesday 4 P.M.

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JUNIOR CHURCH 10:30 A.M.

Junior Church will start this next Sunday, October 5. Mr. Richard Bireley will bring the lesson entitled "Bible Magic".

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop will be led by Mrs. Robert Schweitzer during the month of October, at 10:30 A.M. each Sunday.

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QUARTERLY STATEMENTS

The Church will send out its quarterly statements this week. This is done to keep you informed regarding your accounts. Should there be an error, please call Mr. Vaughn in the church office.

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COME-DOUBLE CLASS

The Come-Double Class is sponsoring the Square Dance Saturday, October 11, 8 P.M. at Shoaff Park Pavilion. Members and friends of the church are invited. John Wright will call. Admission is 50¢ per person.



CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, September 28, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Infants and Toddlers	11	.50
Nursery Department	32	3.09
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	31	3.38
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	32	3.90
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Lower Junior Department	27	2.73
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mrs. Wm. Bennett		
Upper Junior Department	15	1.71
Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull		
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Jon Heavin		
Junior High Department	7	.95
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	20	3.88
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
Senior "58" Class	26	10.50
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Home-Double Class	46	29.25
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	43	22.80
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Friendly Class	13	2.35
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	6	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	7.75
Prayers	—	—
Mr. G. E. Wascovich		
Mrs. Maurice Casey		
TOTALS	316	\$94.14

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Mildred Hartman, 301 E. Fleming, Monday, October 13, at 8 P.M. Worship by Mrs. T. R. Eiler, Program by Mrs. Robert Perkins.

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The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Neil Allen, 4631 Thornley Drive, Tuesday afternoon, October 7, at 1 P.M. Worship by Mrs. C. R. McMaken, Program, Mrs. Hugh Rice.

Those needing transportation meet at the Church at 12:40 P.M.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. W. J. Marks, 4705 Lafayette Esplanade, Tuesday, October 7, at 1:15 P.M.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ellery Flaugh is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 409.

Mrs. James Cain underwent surgery at Lutheran Hospital this week.

Mrs. Kenneth Allen is recovering after undergoing surgery several days ago. Mrs. Allen is at home.

Mrs. Ralph Richard is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 595.

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WHAT DOES GOD SAY

about MONEY?

HE KEPT PART

In the creation, God reserved a portion for Himself.

GEN. 2:16-17

HE ASKS PART

On Mt. Sinai, He commanded that His people tithe.

LEV. 27:30, 32

FOR HIS HOUSE

He demands that the tithe be brought to His House.

JESUS AGREED

MAL. 3:10

Jesus spoke of possessions and our relationship to them in 19 of the 26 parables. He endorsed the tithe.

MATT. 23:23

TITHING IS GOD'S DIVINE PLAN

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Junior Church.

YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, September 28

Church Worship Attendance	359
Church School Attendance	316
Regular Church Offering	633.04
Building Fund Offering	164.20
Church School Offering	94.14
Total Offerings	\$891.38

14 MONTHS TO GO !!

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— BUILDING FUND SUNDAY —
October 5

COMING EVENTS

October 5—EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

First Preparation Session — 5 P.M.

Film—"Through The Looking Glass".

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE IN ST. LOUIS

The Church of Christ on Earth Is One, has been selected as the theme for the International Convention which will be in St. Louis, October 17-22. This theme carries out the 1958-59 brotherhood emphasis involving Christian Literature, History and Christian Unity. Key words of the emphasis—Ready, Remember, Unite—will be an integral part of the total convention program. Dr. Granville T. Walker, minister of the University Christian Church, Fort Worth, Texas, is president of the convention. A new feature of the 1958 convention involves the use of dramatic vignettes as a part of each evening worship program. The brief dramatic intervals will lift up our heritage as brotherhood.

The program will feature addresses by the president of the National Council of Churches, Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, a Baptist minister; co-president of the National United Churches of Christ, Dr. Fred Hoskins (Dr. Hoskins is secretary of the Congregational Christian Church; Mrs. T. C. Wedel, national chairman of the United Church Women, and Dr. Harold A. Bosler, minister of the First Methodist Church, Evanston, Illinois.

Among Disciple leaders to address the convention are Mr. J. Irwin Miller, Columbus, Indiana, industrialist and Disciple layman; Dr. Ronald Osborn, professor, the School of Religion, Butler University, Indianapolis; Dr. Howard E. Short, editor of the Christian Evangelist, and Dr. Granville T. Walker, president of the convention.

Registrations for the Convention cost \$3.00 per person.

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M. STUDY 9:15 A.M.



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 17 Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 9, 1958

Number 2

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Friends:

It was a great day in the life of First Christian Church this past Sunday. A large, responsive congregation was present, and two fine Children of the Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Laymon, transferred their membership to our fellowship. We welcome them in Christ's name, and pray they will serve Him through the fellowship of our Church.

The Junior church was off to a great start as Richard Bireley taught them through the theme of "magic"! It was a wonderful experience for all of the Junior Church members.

If you are not staying for worship services and giving your child an opportunity to be in the Primary or Junior Church, or in the Kindergarten workshop, then you are missing your child one of the most valuable training experiences that is available to them. Some of the finest Christian people I know are spending their time in preparation for these experiences in Christ. Make it possible for your children to share these spiritual riches.

The first session of the preparation for the Every Member Canvass is history. We are praying that many more of you will join the group this coming Sunday afternoon at 6:00 P.M. for the second session. The film strip, "THY KINGDOM COME" will be shown, and the vital information dealing with our church program will be shared with the group.

You can just hear that old hymn beginning, "TELL ME THE OLD, OLD STORY!"

The sermon this Sunday morning will be on the theme: "DEEP IS THE HUNGER". On April 21, 1955, I was walking down the corridor of Providence Hospital in Mobile, Alabama. I can still see a little fellow moving about in the corridor with his head wrapped in bandages. I stopped for a moment of fellowship with him and he said, "Do you know what? I'm going home pretty soon!!" And then he said, "That's what I want most, to go home and play." Moments later I watched the little lad's daddy fight the tears that played near the surface, and he said, "He had surgery for a brain tumor, but it could not be removed. They tell us he will soon be gone. "HOW DEEP IS THE HUNGER FOR LIFE AND LOVE!!!"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, October 12

ELDERS: Grayston Cripe — Glenn Miller

DEACONS: for October

Captain, George R. Bruckman, T-0459

Donald C. Smith

Jack E. Weicker

L. M. Culbertson

Laurence Coleman

F. Marion Coburn

James Cain

Dale C. Hiler

Delmas Young

William Bennett

Carl D. Linn

Paul L. Carpenter

Jack B. Brickley

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ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Hendricks P. Love

Charles R. Ludwig

Phillip Uhl

Donald Wasson

Robert Hendricks

Howard J. Howell

Arthur Betz

Edwin R. Hall

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DEACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

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HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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'58 CLASS

The '58 Class will have a monthly party on Saturday evening, October 18 at 7:00 P.M. in Fellowship Hall of the Church. This is in the form of a Halloween Party. Save this date and plan to attend.

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COME-DOUBLE CLASS

The Come-Double Class is sponsoring a Square Dance Saturday, October 11, at 8 P.M. at Shoaff Park Pavilion. Members and friends of the church are invited. John Wright will call. Admission is 75¢ per person.

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C.Y.F. CHAPEL CHOIR

The CYF Chapel Choir are planning a party on October 23 at the home of Arlene Smell, 5175 Lake Ave.

SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Choir will present a Vesper Sing on Sunday afternoon, October 19, 3 P.M. at the Emily E. Flinn Home, Marion, Ind. This is one of the many such projects planned by the Sanctuary choir for this season.

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JUNIOR CHOIR

The Junior Choir will have its first rehearsal beginning Wednesday, October 1, and continuing each Wednesday at 4 P.M.

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JUNIOR CHURCH 10:30 A.M.

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop will be led by Mrs. Robert Schweitzer during the month of October, at 10:30 A.M. each Sunday

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"LET THERE BE LIGHT" to be featured next month. The Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) will be highlighted on this transcribed dramatic radio program over more than 300 radio stations next month . . . The weeks of October 13, 20, 27, and November 3 . . . The first two programs are based on two of the dramatic worship services scheduled for the St. Louis Assembly; the remaining two will feature stories from two of our NBA Homes. The NBA is graciously assisting in underwriting the cost of these. An added feature in this series of four programs on "LET THERE BE LIGHT," will be the voice of Mr. Ronald Regan, member of the Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church in Los Angeles, and a graduate of Eureka College. He is well known for his movie work and current General Electric Theatre series on television. Mr. Regan will introduce and close each program. See your local station for the date and time of broadcast for these four programs (they may be heard most any day in your community during the weeks indicated). In checking with your station refer to the numbers of the shows as follows: No. 366 The Star; No. 366 A Gift for Tommy; No. 367 The Diary of Peter Cox; No. 368 The Best of Life.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Montgomery Circle will meet with
St. Myron Cole, 450 Clermont Ave., Tues-
day evening, October 14.

The Fellowship Guild will meet at the
home of Miss Mildred Hartman, 301 E.
Main Ave., Monday evening, October
13 at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Robert
Ekins, Worship by Mrs. T. R. Eiler.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Eva Mosier is a patient at St.
Joseph's Hospital, Room 305.

Mrs. Herdis Helmuth is a patient at
Lutheran Hospital, Room 129.

Mr. Charles Tharp is still a patient at
Lutheran Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy goes to Robert
Ekins and his family in the recent death
of his father, Mr. Lawrence Rayl.

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STORK NEWS

Joanne, an 8 pound girl, has arrived at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Morroff.
She was born October 6. Mother and
father are in room 315, Lutheran Hospital.
Congratulations and best wishes to this
family. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Truby are
proud grandparents.




YOUR LIFE


BELONGS TO GOD



Are you living it as God
would have you live?



Are you honoring Him with
your life every day?



Are you attending His church
regularly?

**GOD WANTS YOU TO
LOVE-HONOR-SERVE HIM**

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Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	29	14.60
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Friendly Class	17	11.05
Mrs. Albert Egly		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, October 5

Church Worship Attendance	373
Church School Attendance	345
Regular Church Offering	1050.46
Building Fund Offering	483.20
Church School Offering	113.70
Junior Church	2.54
Special—High School Choir	17.03

TOTAL \$1666.43

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OCTOBER 17 - 22

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ALBUM No. 2 of **SO WILL WE SING** will be ready for distribution in December. The BFC produced religious music album will include three records — three sides of which are being done by the "Madrigal Singers" from our own Chapman College of Orange, California. The Disciples are honored by being selected to participate in this outstanding religious music album.

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We cannot be purer than our thoughts, higher than our ideals, nor greater than our dreams; therefore, we must think correctly, foster noble ideals, and rise on the wings of imagination to the highest things of truth and experience.

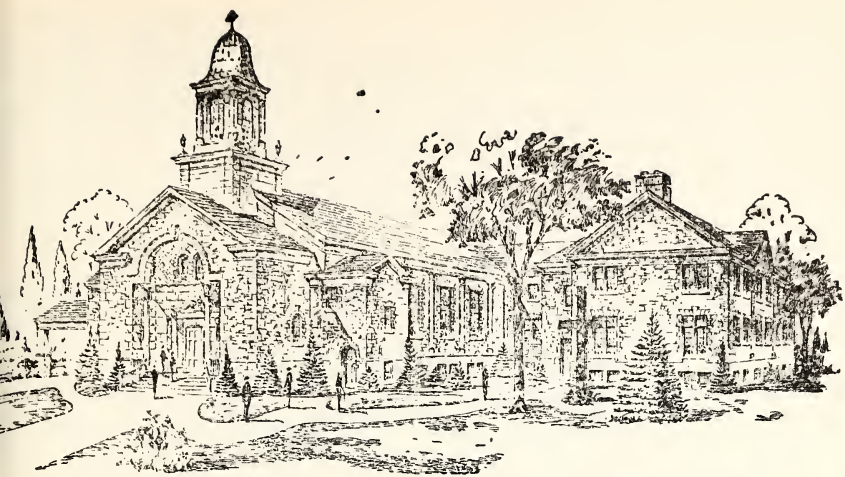
—American Friend

Laughter stirs up the blood, expands the chest, electrifies the nerves, clears away cobwebs from the brain, converts tears into the essence of merriment, and makes wrinkles expressive of frolic and youth.

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DON'T STAY AWAY FROM CHURCH . . .

. . . because you are poor. There is no admission charge.
. . . because you are rich. We can help you cure that.
. . . because it rains. You go to work in the rain.
. . . because we have an emotional religion. How about ball games?
. . . because you have little children. We have a nursery.



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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Page 17 Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 16, 1958

Number 3

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Friends:

This is an important week in the life of our great Church. It is the week of our annual Every Member Canvass. It is the time we measure our sense of commitment against the needs of the Kingdom of God which is expressed through the budget of our church. A budget is like a road map. The items therein are signposts along the road of achievement. A map is not an end in itself, merely points the way to the places our heart would like to go. So it is with a budget. It is not an end in itself, but is the way to the goals our hearts are determined to reach.

Every hour of the 24 your church is ministering in some area of the world. As your church shares in a world-wide task, your church pledge is an indication of your interest in a better world. Many pledges of church members the world over have no relation to the ability of the one pledging to give. Often, yes, far too often, the nominal wage earner gives many times over what the large wage earner gives. I have seen young secretaries in a former pastorate give three times what a doctor (one with a large income) gave. The answer lay not in their relative ability to give, but in their differing sense of commitment to God. One of my "Timothies" in a small church, on a very nominal salary, was giving more than any single member of the congregation. In that Alabama congregation there were doctors, lawyers, corporation executives, men who owned their own businesses, etc. The answer again was in the surrender of his life to Christ completely.

Any gift is large or small only in relation to your ability to give. Jesus pointed out that the "widow's mite" was more than all that the princes of Israel had given, because it was out of her heart, and out of her bare necessities that she had given. Pray that your sense of commitment.

Your Church is asking that you **remain at home SUNDAY AFTERNOON** between the hours of 1 P.M. and 5 P.M. when the canvassers will come to share with you the message of your church's program for another year.

To go further we must go deeper.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A dinner meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday, October 22, 1958. Don't miss this program. Mr. R. R. Pominville will show two color films on Air Force Missile and Rocket training. He has been active at the Cape Canaveral Missile Test Center for 18 months and has been present for all major missile firings. Mr. Pominville will give a first hand account of the successful as well as the unsuccessful firing of U.S. missiles.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. Make your reservations with Church Office, H-6222 or Clarence Hendrickson, A-2718. Reservations must be in by Monday noon, October 20. Plan now, bring your friends. We would like to see the faces of the new members as well as the old timers. Remember, this is your church, we can accomplish many things planning and working together.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW —
\$1.50 each payable at the door.

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SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Choir will present a Vesper Sing on Sunday afternoon, October 19, 3 P.M. at the Emily E. Flinn Home, Marion, Ind. This is one of the many such projects planned by the Sanctuary choir for this season.

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PLEASE TELL ME WHY . . .

My daddy thinks it's nice for me to go to Bible School.
To hear the helpful lessons and to learn the Golden Rule.
And if some Sunday morning something else I'd like to do,
My Dad looks very stern and says, "I'm surprised at you."
So I dress up very neatly and I travel off alone,
While Dad hunts up his paper and decides he'll stay at home.
Now I've wondered and wondered; yes time and time again,
Why Bible School's so good for boys and not for grown up men.

—Christian Messenger
Meadville, Pa.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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Charles R. Ludwig
Phillip Uhl
Donald Wasson
Robert Hendricks
Howard J. Howell
Arthur Betz
Edwin R. Hall

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DEACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

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HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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JUNIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL

The Junior Choir meets on Wednesday afternoon at 4 P.M. each week for choir practice. All Junior age youth are invited to come.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Doyle Bennett is a patient in St. Joseph's hospital, Room 409.

— NEW CLASS —

Mr. Wascovich will begin the new Class the first Sunday in November. Men, Women and Couples not affiliated with other adult classes are invited to come and share in this new study group. As background, the book,

"THE BIBLE AS HISTORY"
will be used.

This study will deal explicitly with the recent archeological and scientific evidence which validates the Bible and its contents as history.



CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will have a Hayride Sunday, October 19. Meet at the Church at 5:45 P.M. We will go to a Park for a weiner roast and then the hayride. Price \$1.50 per couple or 75c each.

There will be no CYF meeting this Sunday at the Church. Regular meeting will be held Sunday evening, October 26 at the Church.

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CHOIR REHEARSAL

The Chapel Choir will meet for rehearsal on Thursday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 at the church.

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WHAT KEEPS YOU HOME

FROM CHURCH?

According to Dave Garroway, there were only four cancellations among 1,400 ticketholders to see "My Fair Lady" the first night of the New York subway strike. As Dave put it "You can find a way if you really want to get there."

Don't you suppose it works the same way at church? I remember an Iowa blizzard that nearly closed down our town. The mayor closed the church buildings to conserve fuel, so we had church in the parsonage. Many people from the village were not there, but two girls walked four miles round trip in sub-zero temperatures and through two feet of snow, well drifted.

Then there are people who stay home if it drizzles, or what have you. Some are tired, or busy, or this or that. It is like the Arab who wouldn't lend a rope because he needed it to tie up his milk. The would-be borrower thought the excuse a bit thin. "Well, when you don't want to do something, one excuse is as good as another." As Garroway put it, "You can find a way if you really want to get there."

Robert B. Green,
Silvercrest Christian

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Women's Fellowship is planning its Annual Fall Harvest In-gathering and visit to the Emily Flinn Home in Marion, for Tuesday, October 21. All who care to go should meet at First Christian at 12:00 Noon that day.

Contributions of canned goods and staples will be taken. A box will be in the Narthex Sunday, October 19 for contributions anyone wish to send.

Cash gifts may be given to Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Vaught, or Mrs. Hugh Rice. Please call one of the above if you are interested in going.

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CWF EXECUTIVE MEETING

The Executive meeting of the CWF will be **MONDAY** evening, October 20 at 7:30 in the Church parlor. The trip to the Marion Home will take place at the October general meeting.

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AN OPEN LETTER

"Dear Rev. Wascovich:

Chaplain Burgess and I want to thank you for mentioning his illness in the First Christian Tidings. He has received so many cards and notes from former friends and appreciates them all so very much.

I am confident our many friends will want to know that Chaplain Burgess is comfortable and his Doctors tell him he is doing as well as can be expected. Thank you.

(Mrs. S. J.) Josephine Burgess'

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Kindergarten Workshop.
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, October 12

Church Worship Attendance	435
Church School Attendance	356
Regular Church Offering	865.00
Building Fund Offering	254.50
Church School Offering	90.52
Junior Church	2.76
TOTAL	\$1210.73

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— BUILDING FUND SUNDAY —
November 2

Nothing is

God's

PROGRAM

✓ For Developing His People
✓ For Financing His Church
✓ For Teaching Dependence on God

BRING YE ALL THE TITHES

INTO THE STOREHOUSE

MAL. 3:10



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Friends:

This coming Sunday is National Laymen's Sunday. In the Churches of our great land the laymen of the church are urged to fill the pulpits, emphasizing the power of the Protestant Pulpit. In no other expression of the Christian faith is the layman so active as in the protestant church. The theme assigned to the laymen of our nation is "READ," "REMEMBER," and "UNITE."

In our church service this coming Sunday morning three Christian laymen will deliver the morning message, Mr. Hugh Rice, Mr. David Hogg, and Mr. Maxwell Smith. I am sure your hearts will be challenged from the laymen's viewpoint.

The Chairman of the Every Member Canvass, and the Captains, wish to thank all those who shared in this experience. Those who called, and the ladies who prepared and served the luncheon, all were a part of a vital concern of the Kingdom of God. Our church extends its thanks for another job well done! It is through just such cooperative endeavor that the Kingdom of God has moved steadily onward through the centuries. Thanks, and God bless you, every one!

The new ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS will begin the first Sunday in November. Adults that would like to participate in an adult approach to the Bible are invited to join in the new class. The first few sessions will deal with the how and why we have our Bible, its validity in any and every age, its historical records, etc. It is our hope that the Bible be better understood. If you have any questions that you would like to bring to the class please put them in writing so that we can give them adequate attention.



WHY Should I Give?

Giving is the Law of Life

There is no harvest without seed, no gain without investment, no success without sacrifice. The richest life is the life of service.

Giving is the Law of Love

The motive of love is sharing. The greatest joy is the joy of helping those we truly love. We give because we love. Giving increases love, makes it more real.

Giving is the Law of Growth

An unused muscle becomes weakened; an unexpressed thought soon dies; an unexercised talent declines. In the natural, social, or spiritual realm we gain in strength by use.

*The More You Give
The More You Will Have to Give* ©

— NEW CLASS —

Mr. Wascovich will begin the new Class the first Sunday in November. Men, Women and Couples not affiliated with other adult classes are invited to come and share in this new study group. As background, the book,

"THE BIBLE AS HISTORY"
will be used.

This study will deal explicitly with the recent archeological and scientific evidence which validates the Bible and its contents as history.

Some of the "so called" miracles in the Old Testament, which long were regarded as myth by some, has been validated once and for all as historical facts.

CHOIRS

The **Sanctuary Choir** meets for rehearsal **each Thursday** at 7:30 P.M.

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The **Festival Choir** will meet the Thursday night prior to the **Last Sunday of Each Month**.

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The **Chapel Choir** will meet for rehearsal on Thursday evening from 6:30 to 7:00 at the church.

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The **Junior Choir** meets on Wednesday afternoon at 4 P.M. each week for church practice. All Junior age youth are invited to come.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, October 26

DEERS: Cecil Rice — Hugh Rice
 DEACONS: for October
 Captain, George R. Bruckman, T-0459
 Donald C. Smith
 Jack E. Weicker
 M. Culbertson
 Laurence Coleman
 Marion Coburn
 James Cain
 Dale C. Hiler
 Melmas Young
 William Bennett
 Carl D. Linn
 Paul L. Carpenter
 Jack B. Brickley

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SOCIATE DEACONS:

Hendricks P. Love
 Charles R. Ludwig
 Phillip Uhl
 Donald Wasson
 Robert Hendricks
 Howard J. Howell
 Arthur Betz
 Edwin R. Hall

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ACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

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SPITALITY: Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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MONTHLY VISITATION

The men will meet at the Church Tuesday, October 28, at 7 P.M. for the purpose of calling on prospects for the Church. We urge the men to join in this gratifying service to our Church.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Robert Englehart is a patient in room 316- Lutheran Hospital.
 Young Tommy Keithley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Keithley is in Lutheran Hospital, West 4th, with a broken leg.
 Mrs. Laura Sherer has been a patient in Lutheran Hospital this week, Room 127.

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SYMPATHY

We extend heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Thomas Young and his family in the recent loss of his mother.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will meet Sunday evening at 5:45 P.M. at the church for a try-in supper followed by the regular F meeting. All High School age Youth are invited to come. Bring a covered dish for table service.

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Sunday, October 19, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	11	.50
Nursery Department	25	2.21
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	2.55
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	50	5.96
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	41	5.02
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	19	2.40
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	30	6.24
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The 158 th Class	27	11.25
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	46	23.25
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
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Church Worship Attendance	394
Church School Attendance	342
Regular Church Offering	541.22
Building Fund Offering	137.25
Church School Offering	80.66
Junior Church	3.06

TOTAL \$759.03

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— BUILDING FUND SUNDAY —
November 2

COMING EVENTS

November 2—School for Christian Living
New Member Reception and Banquet.

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November 3-9—"Deepening Spiritual Life Crusade". Mr. Jack Sutton, Leader.

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- (1) There will be an Elders prayer meeting each evening 15 minutes before services.
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WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

World Community Day will be observed November 7. This is sponsored by the United Church Women of our country which represents most of the Protestant churches. In Fort Wayne a luncheon will be held at the First E.U.B. Church at 12:15 with a speaker, Mrs. Merten Good, State Chairman, Dept. of World Relations, of the United Council of Church Women.

Contributions of new yard goods and yarn are requested. These may be any length, color or weight. They are being solicited to cheer refugee mothers and make it possible for them to sew and knit for their needy families while they await resettlement. Eight cents per pound postage is also needed so cash gifts are also acceptable. Bring your gifts to the church November 2.

Christian Women's Fellowship
Service Department.

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COMMITMENT PRAYER

Dr. Peter Marshall had a prayer about stewardship that said:

"Help us to give according to our income
lest Thou, O God,
make our income according to
our gifts."

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"Our heavenly Father, how bountiful and boundless are Thy gifts to us. Especially do we thank Thee for our church, and for the privilege of worship and service.

"As we bring our gifts of time and treasure, now, and in the coming year may we be blessed in the giving,
and our church strengthened and upheld in her ministry here and in all the world. In Jesus name,

Amen."

—Copied



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Number 5

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING Reception for New Members

Sunday, November 2, 1958 — 6 P.M.

New members since November 1956 will be honored at a Reception and dinner at Sunday evening in Fellowship Hall at the Church. All other members of the Church are sponsoring the dinner and reception. Hosts and Hostesses will assist in making our new people feel welcome and at home.

This marks the opening of our School for Christian Living for the 1958-59 season. The film, "Fire Upon The Earth" will be shown. Our Pastor, Mr. George Wascovich will speak.

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Mr. Jack A. Sutton, Jr., National Director of Men's Work will lead our Spiritual Life Crusade during the week of November 2 to 9. Services will be held each evening at 7 P.M. in the Sanctuary. The Choir will sing. The men of the Church will meet for breakfast each morning, Tuesday thru Saturday, before going to their places of business.

Elders are to meet each evening at 7 P.M. for a short prayer service prior to the beginning of the evening service. WE ARE COUNTING ON YOU to make this week of services a real SPIRITUAL LIFE CRUSADE experience. Attend as many evenings as possible. ADULT CLASSES RESPONSIBLE FOR PROMOTING EVENING ATTENDANCE include: High School CYF, Monday; '58 Class, Tuesday; Come Double Class, Wednesday; Progressive Class, Thursday; Friendly Bible Class, Ladies Bible Class and Men's Class, Friday.

Nursery available for all Services.

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We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Laymen who so ably conducted our evening worship services last Sunday.

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We welcome into our fellowship the two young people who united with us last Sunday morning. Miss Marilynmarie Stoner comes from our Church at Portland, and Dwayne Klingshirn comes to us by Confession and Baptism. It is our sincere wish that they make many new friends and find a happy church home in First Christian.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, 508 Lavina St., on Thursday evening, November 6 at 7:30 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Irene Cline, Program by Mrs. Gladys Beal. The Group will hold a Silent Auction, Mrs. Paul Whitton in charge.

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The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. W. H. Imbody, 4522 Spatz Ave., Wednesday, November 5th at 1:30 P.M. Mrs. Robert Scott will have the program. Devotions by Mrs. Edith Darby.

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The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. W. C. Birkhold, 221 W. Maple Grove Ave., Tuesday, November 4 at 1:00 P.M. Mrs. Robert Ogles is assistant hostess. Program by Mrs. A. N. Shockney, Worship by Mrs. Earl Fusselman.

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The Nelson Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Rex Porter, 4834 Montrose Ave., Wednesday evening, November 5, at 7:30. Program by Mrs. Ben Taylor, Worship by Mrs. Harley Meadows.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Dale Parkerson, 3216 Crescent Ave. Tuesday, November 4, at 1:15 P.M. Program by Mrs. Cecil Rice, Worship by Mrs. David Hogg.

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SQUARE DANCE

SQUARE DANCE sponsored by the '58 Class at River Lodge—Shoaff Park, Saturday, November 8 at 8:00 P.M. Tickets 75c per person. Call Mrs. Carl Smith, S-4661 for tickets.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. R. H. Whittemore is a patient at Parkview, Room 422.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mrs. Gary Bronson is in charge of Primary Workshop for the month of November.

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HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN:

Mrs. W. C. Birkhold



Your Church
is YOU

**Sanctified by God's Presence,
Your Church Represents the
Cumulative Effort of its
members.**

**If Every Member Were Just
Like You, Would God be
Proud of the Result?**

GOD NEEDS YOU
YOU NEED GOD

**BE READY TO SERVE
WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED**

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—Copied

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	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	14	.51
Nursery Department	21	1.56
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	22	1.90
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	50	5.16
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
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Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
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Mr. James Naile		
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Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
58" Class	22	9.06
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
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TOTALS	315	\$79.93

HOW TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE

Ten Rules for Creative Helpfulness

by Norman Vincent Peale

First: Be happy and strong yourself, for happiness and strength are infectious. Others pick up moods and spirit from you.

Second: Make yourself approachable. This is done by being outgoing, kindly, understanding, unselfish and sincere. Be the kind of person people will turn to.

Third: Have something spiritually real to share so that others will want the quality of life you have.

Fourth: Pray for the person you want to help. Mentally see him as surrounded with God's love and care.

Fifth: If the other person is cooperative, pray with him on the principle of Matthew 18:20: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Sixth: Believe that in the fellowship of the "two or three" creative insights, ideas and effective plans will emerge in which the real solution to problems will be found.

Seventh: Help the other person to think out his own answers on a God guidance level. Be very careful of solving another's problem for him. He must get his own guidance.

Eighth: Believe in the other person. Let him see and feel esteem.

Ninth: Teach the other to believe in himself and have confidence in his own potential.

Tenth: Inspire the other to establish a "partnership" with God in all things, trusting the Bible promise, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God." Luke 18:27.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Church World Service — The need is great for good used clothing for overseas relief. The CWF is sponsoring a drive for garments for our Church. Bring your clothing to the Church November 16. There will be a box in the Narthex to receive your contribution. 8c per pound is needed for postage. DO NOT BRING shoes with high heels, open toes or heels. These cannot be used.

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58 CLASS — FRUIT CAKE

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Regular Church Offering	753.84
Building Fund Offering	190.30
Church School Offering	79.93
Junior Church	1.91

TOTAL \$1023.98

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WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

Theme: "Exchange Goods, Ideas, People"

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NEW YARD GOODS and YARN in all lengths, color, or weight are being solicited. These will be sent overseas to cheer refugee mothers and make it possible for them to sew and knit for their new families while they await re-settlement.

Bring your gifts to the Church November 2. A box will be in the narthex, give your cash gifts to Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Vaughn or Mrs. Rice.

Christian Women's Fellowship Service Department.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Friends:

Just a word to say that the minister, his wife, and family wish to extend to all of a cordial invitation to visit their home this Sunday afternoon between 3 P.M. and 5 P.M. They shall hold Open House for all the members of the church.

To find the minister's home, go out the Lower Huntington Road past the Orchard Country Club until you come to the first gravel crossroad (about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile beyond the Club), and then turn south (or left, off the Lower Huntington Rd.) and it is the first house on the right side of Smith Road. It is a brick house and can be seen from the Lower Huntington Rd.

This Sunday morning, Mr. Jack Sutton, National Field Director of the Laymen of Disciples of Christ will be our guest speaker. To all of you who have not taken advantage of our week-long series of meetings to hear Mr. Sutton, I should like to say "Don't miss this opportunity to hear a man who is filled with the Spirit of God!" It has been a real challenge to all of us who have shared in the nightly meetings, and the morning breakfasts. You will warm to his preaching and will be thrilled to know a modern man of God.

I should like to take this brief opportunity to thank you once again for your support of the Building Fund on the first Sunday of the month. Without fanfare or fuss, you have agreed to share in a way that has always been adequate. The leadership of the church is grateful for every one of you who share in so wonderful a manner. God bless you and keep you in His peace and prosperity.



Sunday, November 9

ELDERS:

Walter Birkhold — James Shockney

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STORK NEWS

We have a very fortunate couple in our Church. Bruce Arnold has come to his home with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perkins. Bruce was born on September 13, 1949. We wish to extend our sincere congratulations to these new parents.

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IN SYMPATHY

It is with deep sympathy that we recall the recent death of Mr. Thomas Keefe, father of Mrs. Elsie Robinson. Mrs. Robinson was a member here for many years before moving to Tucson, Ariz.

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Progressive Class	26	14.50
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	6.50
New Class	9	4.65
TOTALS	330	112.77

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. O. R. Kuhlman, 4125 Warsaw Street, Monday evening, November 10, at 8 P.M. Program, Mrs. S. E. Merriman, Worship, Mrs. Robert Perkins.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Rayl, 1509 Fernwood Dr. Tuesday, November 11 at 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Edwin Hall is co-hostess.

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WORLD CWF PRAYER

"Help us to experience blessed contentment. "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for He said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." (Heb. 13:5)

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CHURCH WORLD SERVICE TEN MILLION POUNDS OF CLOTHING NEEDED

Ten million pounds of clothing are needed in 1958, by the Church World Service: Our Brotherhood has committed itself for 250,000 pounds! So collect all your idle clothing, especially the warm clothing. The need is urgent in many countries overseas. Blankets and bedding are also a first requirement in many areas. At First Christian the Service Department of the Christian Women's Fellowship is sponsoring the drive. A box will be in the narthex of the church Sunday, NOVEMBER 16.

Postage of 8c per pound is also needed to ship this, so cash gifts may also be given to Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Vaughn or Mrs. Hugh Rice.

Clean out your closets and dressers. Used clothing for men, women, boys, girls and infants are all acceptable. It should be clean and wearable.

Let's help our Brotherhood make their goal. This is the United Clothing Appeal of the United Christian Missionary Society and churches of most denominations are taking part. "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

As in former years, the **Snack Time** for School for Christian Living will be taken care of by members chosen alphabetically. You will be notified of your turn. One Couple will be appointed to have general charge for each Sunday night. Several other couples will be invited to assist. When you are contacted, please do your best to help. We rely on you!

COMING EVENTS

November 9—Deepening Spiritual Life.
Mr. Jack A. Sutton, leader.

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November 9—OPEN HOUSE—3 to 5 P.M.—
Smith Road, Rev. and Mrs. Geo. E. Was-
covich and Family. All members invited.

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November 9—SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN
LIVING—5:30—7:30 P.M.

Film: "An American Religious Move-
ment".

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TEN BASIC FACTS ABOUT TITHING

by Bishop William C. Martin

(1) **Tithing is deeply rooted in a long history.** The Old Testament is saturated with the conviction that "the tithe" is the Lord's. The New Testament, without losing the central idea, put around it spacious horizons of joyful liberality. While refusing to allow the practice of tithing to become a substitute for "justice, mercy and faith," Jesus put the sanction of his approval upon it. Tithing has stood the test of 30 centuries.

(2) **Tithing has satisfactorily met all the demands** that emerge from a complex industrialized civilization. It is applicable to small incomes and to large ones. Like the principle of the "seventh day," it is grounded in the nature of God's moral order. Instead of being a remnant of outgrown legalism, tithing is proving to be the up-to-date, intelligent answer for thousands of modern Christian to the question, "How much shall I give?"

(Continued next week)

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 2

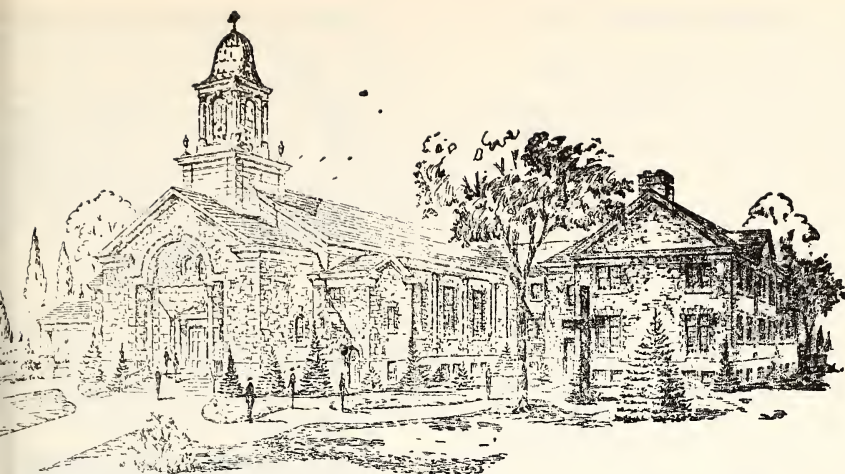
Church Worship Attendance	418
Church School Attendance	330
Regular Church Offering	850.39
Building Fund Offering	400.80
Church School Offering	112.77
Junior Church	2.13

TOTAL \$1363.96

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

DECEMBER 7

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

me 17

Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 13, 1958

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Christian Friends:

are several items for your consideration:

1. LET YOUR IDLE CLOTHING GO TO WORK! Church World Service is appealing to all of you to share with all Christians everywhere in helping to clothe a "naked" world.

Clothing: Men and boys, women and girls, and infants (especially diapers).

Shoes: (tied together) Men's and children's. Women's should be at least B width and should have low heels.

Household and other articles: Quilts, blankets, sheets, pillow cases, towels, wash cloths.

REMEMBER: ALL CLOTHING SHOULD BE CLEAN, MENDED, ETC. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THESE ARE TO BE "GIFTS OF LOVE" RATHER THAN "CRUMBS FROM THE RICH MAN'S TABLE".

Collection date: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH!

2. SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING!

The School for Christian Living will begin at 5:30 P.M. with the study film: "NO CREED BUT CHRIST". This will be a 28 minute color film of the accomplishments of Alexander Campbell and the early history of the Disciples of Christ.

At 6:30 - 7:30 P.M. the SNACK TIME will be held. This is a wonderful time to fellowship with one another in Christ. This is for all the family, so please be prompt and be pleasant, to be pleasing!

Sunday's Sermon: "PIONEERS OF A NEW HUMANITY"

Sunday, November 16

ELDERS:

Bret Young — Maxwell Smith

DEACONS: Serving during November

Captain—Paul E. Yentes, H-57415.

William R. Love

Ben G. Taylor

Lawrence A. Horn

Jerry L. Brubaker

W. Harry Imbody

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. Kenneth Moore is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 214.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class Party will be at the home of Mrs. C. R. McMaken, 3022 South Wayne Avenue, Friday evening, November 14.

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WORLD CWF PRAYER

May we "be filled with the Spirit" so that we may always manifest the fruits of the Spirit — love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. —Eph. 5:18

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God had an only Son, and He was a missionary. In fishing for men there is no closed season. Christ gave His disciples a program, and the power to carry it out.

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We cannot be purer than our thoughts, higher than our ideals, nor greater than our dreams; therefore, we must think correctly, foster noble ideals, and rise on the wings of imagination to the highest things of truth and experience.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive will meet Tuesday, November 18 at 1:15 in the Chapel. The General meeting will follow at 2 P.M. in Church Parlor. An interesting program has been planned on the topic "How To Be Rich". The Nelson Circle is in charge of both Worship and program. Dye Circle Hospitality; Refreshments, Kepple Circle The Nursery will be staffed. We invite every woman to come.

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RUMMAGE SALE

The CWF Rummage Sale will be held Thursday, November 20, at 2028 So. Ham St. Bring your rummage to the church before the 20th, or to the Rummage place between 7 and 9 P.M. on Wednesday the 19th. Mrs. Ernest Kattas, chairman.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Men's Fellowship will meet at the church on Wednesday evening, November 19 at 7:30. Colonel Ellen will be guest speaker. He will show color film entitled, "Off the Beaten Path: England". Men! you will find this an interesting program. We cordially invite you and your friends to come. Let's have a good turnout to hear Col. Ellen.

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UNITED CLOTHING APPEAL

8c Per Pound Shipping Charges

More than 5,000,000 persons overseas—refugees, poverty-stricken, orphans, widows and other destitute — have no clothing except what we send. Put your idle garments to work! Last year, the churches working together sent 4 million pounds, this year there is need for 1 million pounds!

Men's clothing, especially suits and trousers, is the first priority. But teenagers', women's and infant's clothing are also desperately needed. Blankets and other bedding are also required.

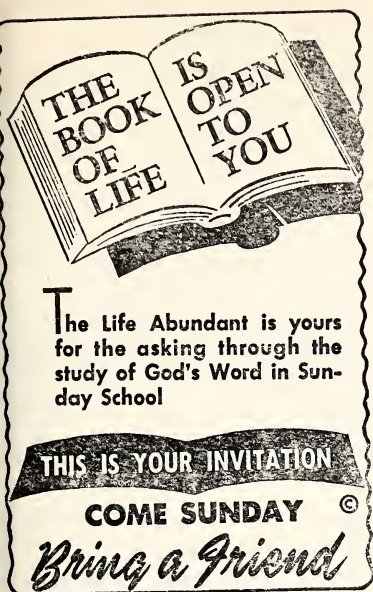
It takes 8c per pound to ship this overseas. If you cannot help with the clothing perhaps you can with the postage. Give it to Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Vaught, or Mr. Hugh Rice. Or, you may place it in the offering plates next Sunday, if it is properly marked, "postage for clothing". Bring your bundles to the church Sunday, November 16. There will be boxes in the Fellowship Hall.

"I was naked and ye clothed me . . ."

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Christianity is more than a belief creed that saves one for the next world; it is a way of living. It is a life of love and service. The Christian is one who devotes his powers, abilities, and money to help others.

—Copied



The Life Abundant is yours for the asking through the study of God's Word in Sunday School

THIS IS YOUR INVITATION

COME SUNDAY ©

Bring a Friend

NEW CLASS

The New Class for individuals and couples not affiliated with some other class, and interested in a series of lessons on "The Bible as History" are invited to meet in the Class room above the church office, next Sunday morning at 9:30.

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58 CLASS — FRUIT CAKE

The holidays are getting closer and this is the time for Fruit Cake. The 58 class is selling Duncan Hines Fruit cakes in two, three and five pound sizes. They are very tasty and come packed in a beautiful re-usable tin. Contact any member of the Class for more information. Don't forget, they make nice gifts, too.

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IN ACCOUNT WITH LIFE

The midnight deep in starlight still dreamed that I received this bill in account with life:

I've thousand breathless dawns, all new,
I've thousand flowers flecked with dew,
I've thousand sunsets framed in gold,
I've million snow flakes served ice cold,
I've quiet friends, one baby's love
I've midnight sea with stars above,
I've hundred music-haunted dreams
I've moon-drenched roads and hurrying streams,
I've prophesying winds and trees,
I've silent stars and browsing bees,
I've June night in a quiet wood,
I've heart that loved, and understood.
I wondered when I woke at day
How in God's name I could pay.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, November 9, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	11	.25
Nursery Department	27	1.64
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	29	2.52
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	42	4.83
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	40	5.47
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	18	2.04
Mr. James Naille		
High School Department	27	3.96
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	31	12.25
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	50	27.40
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Progressive Class	34	18.05
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

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Church Worship Attendance	438
Church School Attendance	359
Regular Church Offering	907.97
Building Fund Offering	381.35
Church School Offering	96.18
Junior Church	1.81

TOTAL \$1385.50

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

DECEMBER 7

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TEN BASIC FACTS ABOUT TITHING

by Bishop William C. Martin

(3) Tithing is an outgrowth of a sense of thankfulness which, for the Christian, is as natural as breathing. The "grace of gratitude" has high rating in the Christian standard of virtues. It is developed by saying "Thank you" to God. Tithing is not a cheap thoroughfare to financial success. At the entrance to life abounding stands the cross of self-denial.

(4) Tithing lifts the financial support of the church from "what we feel like giving" to the level of regular, dependable proportionate contributions. The maintenance of the means by which God's truth is made known should never be a matter of sporadic impulse but of continuing regularity.

(5) Tithing sets the economic pattern for the support of these institutions that undergird the moral and religious life of the social order. The basic importance of man's relation to his material possessions is emphasized by the fact that one-sixth of all the recorded words of Jesus are concerned with the use of money.

(Continued next week)

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BASKETBALL GAMES

The Junior Team will play their second game Saturday, November 15 at 3 P.M. They will play St. John's E. & R. Team. You are invited to come out and watch the game. A good cheering section always helps.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

MEN . . . Don't forget the **MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**, this Saturday morning at 8 A.M. (Yep, Saturday the 22nd). Mr. Hugh Rice will bring the morning meditation, and Mr. Robert Cocherille will sing a devotional number for us accompanied by Mr. William Wetzel.

LADIES . . . see that your man get to the breakfast. We will send him home an improved person !!!

BIBLE SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING — 5:30 P.M. — 6:30 P.M.

A 34 minute color film, "WHERE THE BIBLE SPEAKS, WE SPEAK", Will be shown. This is a most informative film showing the beliefs, history, and work of the Christian Churches.

6:30-7:30 P.M. Fellowship Snack Time.

THANKSGIVING DAY will be the occasion for a Christian festival of true **THANKSGIVING**, or it will be just another day for loafing and over-eating. The world today is divided into aggressive, militant camps. One believes that every good thing is the product of man's ingenuity, the other **PROFESSES** to believe that every good and perfect thing cometh from the presence of God, in cooperation with His children. When our practice matches our profession the rest of the world will take notice. The schedule on **THANKSGIVING DAY MORNING** will be:

7:00-8:00 A.M. Breakfast (Pancakes, or bacon and eggs) sponsored by the Chapel Choir.

8:00-9:00 A.M. WORSHIP AND THANKS-GIVING.

The entire offering taken up in the Bible School this coming Sunday will go for the missionary work of the Church around the world. Make your missionary offering as generous as possible.

SERMON: "THE HAND OF GOD UPON US"

Sunday, November 16

ELDERS:

C. D. Palmer — Rolland Ripple

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PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 22, 1958 -- 7 A.M.

This is the beginning of a series of Prayer Breakfasts for the men of the Church. We shall meet at 7 A.M. November 22. Mr. Hugh D. Rice will give the worship. Robert Cocherille and Willic Wetzel will furnish special music.

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'58 CLASS

Duncan Hines fruit cakes are still being sold by the '58 Class. We will be selling right up to Christmas. However, get your order in early and you will be sure to have them in plenty of time for the Holidays. I have mine ordered, how about **you**? Contact any member of the '58 Class for more information.

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LOST AND FOUND

A man's hat was left at the Church recently. It may be claimed at the Office.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Little Shirley Naile was in Lutheran Hospital for observation.

Andrea McLellen goes in Parkview Hospital Wednesday, November 19.

Mr. Charles Tharp is ill at home.

Mr. Richard W. Baker is in Room 4, Lutheran Hospital.

COME YE

Thankful People

LET US SHOW GRATITUDE



For bounteous blessings
of health, wealth, and happiness:

For freedom of worship
in the security of a great land:

For the Love of God
in whom we have Life Eternal.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD IN HIS HOUSE

VISITATION

Tuesday, November 25 is our monthly visitation day in the church. Any person desiring to make calls in the name of the church, please meet at the Church at 7 A.M.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class party will be at the home of Romane and Harriett Cole, 11 Rose Ann Parkway, Saturday evening, November 22, at 8 o'clock. William Bennett will show slides of the Brussels World's Fair.

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TEN BASIC FACTS ABOUT TITHING

by Bishop William C. Martin

Tithing takes the irksomeness out of giving. Having set aside this definite proportion of his income for the support of Christ's work, the tither gives from it gladly and without the constant annoyance of feeling that he is giving up something which he needs for himself.

Tithing puts a spirit of discipline into the handling of financial affairs. The finite experience which many tithers have had that tithing is a financial blessing is doubtless due, in part, to the retirement which it imposes for careful planning of both the individual and family budget.

Tithing insures to the church and its agencies adequate and dependable financial support. The witness of the Christian faith in its ministry at home and in world-wide mission when it ought to be advancing with confidence and courage. To this disturbing situation tithing is one of the answers.

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of the Pilgrim Fathers, with so few temporal blessings to brighten their privations, could be so thankful, shall we not pray and supplication make known God, and the world, our gratitude for numberless blessings?

DID YOU KNOW?

The High School Choir is known as the Chapel Choir.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Chapel Choir needs new choir robes.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Chapel Choir is sponsoring a CHURCH WIDE BREAKFAST — Thanksgiving morning 7 to 8 A.M. to raise money for robes.

DID YOU KNOW?

They expect to have over 200 for this breakfast so they need YOU there.

ADULTS 50c — CHILDREN under 15, 25c.

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BASKETBALL

Our High School team will play First EUB team Tuesday, November 25 at 6:45 P.M.

Our Junior Team will play Trinity No. 2 on Saturday, November 22 at 1:30 P.M.

Our Teams need your support. Attend the games and enjoy the fun.

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IN SYMPATHY

This last week, Mrs. Helen Godfrey, daughter of Mrs. Emily Lowman and sister of Mrs. Robert Clipp, passed away. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to these folk and their families, in their hour of sorrow.

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CLOTHING DRIVE

Our recent clothing drive brought 345 pounds of good clothing. \$27.00 is needed for the postage. We wish to thank all who so generously contributed both clothing and postage.

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On World Community Day First Christian had 48 pounds of new yard goods and yarn. These will be sent to Germany, Austria and Hong Kong. The cash received at the World Community Service will be sent to the needy in South Pacific Islands.

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Sunday, November 16

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Church School Attendance 357
Regular Church Offering 954.73
Building Fund Offering 190.75
Church School Offering 89.79
Junior Church 2.80
Special Gift to Building Fund 120.00

TOTAL \$1281.11

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Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	21	2.1
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
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Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	59	6.0
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	38	4.7
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
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Mr. James Naile		
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John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Friendly Class	21	3.8
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.2
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	6.0
TOTALS	357	\$89.7



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, December 4, 1958

Number 10

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

The first note is to remind all of the men of the Church that this coming Saturday morning at 7:00 A.M. the MEN'S BREAKFAST will be held. Two weeks ago (the breakfasts are held every second Saturday morning) there were 23 men present. It is our hope and prayer that this prayer group will grow into one of the most vital fellowships within the church. Mr. Harold Addison will bring the morning meditation. The breakfast is held in the church fellowship hall, and the meditation and prayer fellowship is held in the chapel. The entire prayer breakfast is over promptly at 8:00 A.M. You can't afford not to spend this one hour in fellowship and prayer with Christian friends and God.

On Sunday morning the minister will be in Mobile, Alabama preaching the dedication services at a mission church of First Christian Church of which he was minister. He will hold a week of preaching during which the charter membership rolls will be completed. The last of the nights of preaching will be Friday, December 12th. Pray for the minister while he is away. Mr. Albert Shockney, retired minister, will bring the evening message, "I AM THE TRUE VINE". Give this man of God your support and presence in the morning worship services. Let's make our December services the greatest in our history.

Remember that the first Sunday in the month is BUILDING FUND SUNDAY. We must meet a monthly obligation of \$2,700. The church needs and appreciates the help of its entire membership.

The School for Living will be host to an organ recital by the organists of our city this Sunday evening at 7:30 P.M. There will NOT be a snack time this Sunday evening.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, December 7, 1958

ELDERS:

David Hogg — Grayston Cripe

DEACONS: Serving during December

Captain: Albert Powell, K-5095

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Solon E. Merriman
Harold K. Pritchard
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The Church Nominating Committee will make their report Sunday, December 7, following the Morning Worship Service. Glenn Miller, Chairman.

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Jesus came, not to hush the natural music of men's lives, nor to fill it with storm and agitation, but to retune every silver chord in that "harp of a thousand strings" and to make it echo with the harmonies of heaven.

—Farrar.

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Christianity is more than a belief or creed that saves one for the next world; it is a way of living. It is a life of love and service. The Christian is one who devotes his powers, abilities, and money to help others.

—Copied

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

School for Christian Living will be omitted next Sunday evening, December 7, due to a special program presented by the Morning Musical Society.

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MORNING MUSICAL ORGAN RECITAL

First Christian will serve as Host of the Morning Musical Society's Organ Recital which will be given next Sunday evening, December 7 at 7:30 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary. This program is in lieu of our regular School for Christian Living program.

The program will feature Organ solo by Mrs. Wm. Fife, Mrs. Paul King and Mr. Henry Curdes; Vocal numbers by Mr. Ruth Thompson; String Trio by Mrs. Keith Barker, Violin, Rozella Hinton, Cello, Mr. Charles Marcus, Piano.

Our own Sanctuary Choir will sing "Song of Christmas" by Waring, directed by William Wetzel with Mrs. Robert Scott at the Organ.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

"Angels From the Realms of Glory"

The public is invited. Members and friends of the Church are especially invited to hear this beautiful musical program.

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday morning, December 6, the men of the Church will meet for breakfast at a period of Worship. Come out, Men! This most inspiring hour of prayer and fellowship. Devotions by Harold Addison.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School Young people will meet at 5:30 P.M. Sunday evening in the Youth Room. Bring a covered dish.

Chapel Choir will practice Thursday evening at 6:15 P.M.

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, November 30, 1958

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	.28
Nursery Department	20	.93
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	17	2.10
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	37	3.12
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	39	4.00
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	12	2.25
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	27	3.76
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
Senior "58" Class	22	11.62
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Senior-Double Class	27	13.75
Mr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Senior	12	5.25
Progressive Class	23	9.00
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Kindly Class	12	2.20
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	3	.85
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.75
TOTALS	275	\$65.86

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WOMAN'S DAY — DECEMBER 14

The Rev. Mr. Barton Hunter, Indianapolis, will be our Guest speaker. The Annual Woman's Day Offering will be received on this day.

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The Fellowship Guild will hold their Christmas party in the Church Parlor. This will be a dinner meeting. Mrs. Donald Smith is in charge of the program. Mrs. Owen Vaught will bring devotions. Members are asked to bring their gift for the Cleveland Home Christmas stocking.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Gail Hunt, 3122 Maple Lane, Tuesday evening, December 9 at 8 o'clock.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will hold their meeting at the home of Mrs. W. Harry Imbody, 4522 Spatz, Friday evening, December 12 at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Carter Palmer and Mrs. Myrtle Strout will serve as co-hostesses. Members are to bring a 50¢ Christmas gift for exchange.

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58 CLASS FRUIT CAKE

Sunday, December 7 is the last time you can order Fruit cakes. If you will not be in Church Sunday call one of the following and place your order: Mrs. Gary Bronson, H-79106; Mrs. Orville Moody, K-3949; Mrs. Robert Rogers, H-40023; Mrs. Victor Sterling, H-79389; Mrs. Henry Worth, H-78231.

Don't miss out or you will miss a real treat for your Holiday feasting. These fruit cakes may be purchased in 2 pound size at \$2.25; 3 pound at \$3.35; 5 pound at \$5.30.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Christmas party will be a pot-luck dinner at the Church Saturday, December 13 at 6 P.M. Members are requested to bring table service and covered dish. Also, a gift of not more than \$1.00, for the tree, for each child in the family. Coffee, milk and bread will be furnished. The Nursery will be open for babies during the meal.

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Don't be too harsh with the Bethlehem Innkeeper, especially if Christ is not given a central place in your heart and home.

Where there is heart-room there is also house-room. Wise men sought Christ, which proves they were wise men.

BASKETBALL

The High School team of First Christian will play Westfield Presbyterian Team, Monday, December 8 at 8:45 P.M.

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IN APPRECIATION

The Church is grateful for the fine co-operation shown by our many members in caring for the church premises.

Beuford Tharp has rendered a valuable service in getting the furnace in better condition so that the oil bill will be materially reduced.

Mr. Gorden Welker has given an exceptionally fine service in furnishing labor and paint to re-finish our outside doors. Have you noticed them?

Mr. Edwin Hall has also earned our appreciation for repairing leaks in the gutters.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich and Mrs. Edith Siples in the recent loss of a brother on November 18, and a brother-in-law on November 17.

We pray God to sustain these folk and their families in their double sorrow.

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FOOTPATH TO PEACE—To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars, to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them, to despise nothing of the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice, to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts, to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners, to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ, and to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors—these are little guideposts on the footpath of peace.

—Henry Van Dyke.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 30

Church Worship Attendance	332
Church School Attendance	275
Regular Church Offering	497.37
Building Fund Offering	139.26
Thanksgiving Offering	69.75
Church School	65.86

TOTAL \$772.24

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DECEMBER 7

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CHRISTIAN VIGIL IN LONDON

The Rt. Hon. Viscount Craigavon

For the second year in succession a Christian Vigil was held on 24th July, 1958, Eve of the Feast of St. James, at St. James's Church, Piccadilly, to seek God's help in the supreme struggle against the evil forces of atheistic communism and godless imperialism. We are convinced that communism is more of a spiritual than a military or political problem.

Communism is the anti-Christ. It is the greatest enemy that Christianity has yet encountered in the 2,000 years of its existence. Never in the long tale of human history has there been found such a sinister, satanic catalogue of wickedness as that which communism has perpetrated on millions of hapless, helpless men, women and children.

The advance of atheistic communism now striding across the world is a challenge to Christians, and we must not permit the Church triumphant to degenerate into a Church impotent against the powers of evil.

I believe that only a militant, aggressive, challenging, fearless Christianity is of the slightest use today. We cannot hope to overcome a militant atheism by a lukewarm Christianity.

I believe, too, that it is futile to suppose that communism—in which the spirit of atheism is embodied—can be conquered by politics, whether armed or diplomatic. It may be possible to destroy a political idea or system by another political idea. But communism is not political; it is religious; the religion of the godless which uses politics to destroy nations and enslave the masses.

I believe that if Christianity is to survive, we must draw on a force greater than that which is found in human strength; that force is found in prayer.

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CHURCH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 5:30 to 7:30 P.M.
5:30 Snack Time in Fellowship Hall — 6:30 Christmas Program in Sanctuary.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WOMAN'S DAY

DECEMBER 14, 1958

The Christian Women's Fellowship is sponsoring the Morning Worship services next Sunday. The Rev. Mr. Barton Hunter will be the guest speaker. Mr. Hunter is executive secretary of the Department of Social Welfare of the United Christian Missionary Society. Mr. Hunter has appeared on Convention and local church programs and has been in demand as a speaker. He is a contributing editor of World Call, the International magazine of Disciples of Christ.

Mrs. William Caldwell, President of the Christian Women's Fellowship will serve as the presiding officer at the Morning worship. Other women having a part on the program are: Mrs. Wm. Love, Mrs. A. N. Shockney, Mrs. Owen Vaught. In the absence of our minister, Mr. Wascovich, Mr. Hugh Rice will serve at the Communion Table and will pronounce the Benediction.

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The Executive Committee of CWF will meet in the Chapel, Tuesday evening, December 16 at 7:15 P.M.

The General meeting will follow in the Church Parlor at 8 o'clock. A lovely Christmas program, "Like A Tree" will be given by the Montgomery Circle. Kepple Circle is in charge of hospitality, Nelson Circle, refreshments. Circle Service Chairmen are reminded to bring their Christmas stockings for the Cleveland Christian Home.

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"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased!"

St. Luke 2:14

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, December 7

	Att.	O.
Babies and Toddlers	10	5
Nursery Department	23	18
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs L Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	22	21
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	42	34
Mrs. Wm R Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	36	41
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	15	23
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	20	29
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	32	137
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	41	190
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Braga		
Berean	6	52
Progressive Class	23	110
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Friendly Class	20	103
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	100
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	75
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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ernest Tatman is a patient in Room 1, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Robert Neal is a patient in Room 1, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Maude Thurman is ill, and is at the home of her daughter, 2609 East Drive.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Walter Birkhold and family in the recent loss of a Brother-in-law.

We express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. E. L. Harris and her family in the recent loss of her husband, Mr. Ernest Harris. Mr. Harris was the father of Mrs. R. Eiler, and for many years a fine member of this church.

May comfort come to these folk in their time of sorrow as only God can give it.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

During December the Church Choirs will present Christmas music at our School for Christian Living. On December 14, the Church School Christmas Program will be presented in the Sanctuary at 6:30 P.M. Snack time will be at 5:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Myron Cole, Chairman.

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On December 21, for School For Christian Living, the Sanctuary Choir will sing the oratorio "The Messiah" at 7:30 P.M. in the Sanctuary. Snack time will be at 6:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Max Finkhausen, Chairman.

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team will play Church God Monday, December 15, at 7:45 P.M.

The Junior Team will play Saturday, December 13 at 2:15 P.M.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF will meet Sunday evening and youth will join in the Snack Time in Fellowship Hall at 5:30.

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It is the glory of Christianity that it not only reveals God for us, and God with us, but God in us.

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The richest and sweetest joys human hearts can experience were born into the world when Christ was born.

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'58 CLASS PARTY

The '58 Class Christmas Party will be held Friday evening, December 19, at 8 P.M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schmidt, 4705 Woodway Drive. Assistant hosts are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church. Bring a \$1.00 Grab-bag; the women bring a gift for a woman; the men a gift for a man. There will be fun for all so plan to be there.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class Christmas Party will be held at the church in Fellowship Hall Saturday, December 20 at 6:00 P.M. It will be pot-luck so bring table service and covered dish. Coffee will be furnished.

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5:30 - 7:30

Church School Christmas Party.

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Church Worship Attendance	339
Church School Attendance	313
Regular Church Offering	765.96
Building Fund Offering	358.73
Thanksgiving Offering	5.50
Church School	94.26

TOTAL \$1224.95

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

JANUARY 4

12 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

New Officers elected Sunday, December 7:

TRUSTEE: Bertram W. Leversee

ELDERS:

David Griegs
Jack E. Weicker
Robert Rayl
William R. Love
William H. Crouse
Walter C. Birkhold

DEACONS:

John F. Hechler
Howard J. Howell
Robert N. Hendricks
Phillip E. Uhl
Arza Smith
Leon H. Johns
William Caldwell
Edwin R. Hall
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Cliff Travis
M. B. Sweeney
Robert Ogles
Robert Perkins
Marvin McCarty
J. Frederic Smell
Charles Billiard
J. Carl Smith
Herbert Panet
Charles R. Ludwig
Herdis G. Helmuth

DEACONESES:

Mrs. Louis M. Culbertson
Mrs. Glenn R. Miller
Mrs. Rolland R. Rinkle
Mrs. Romane H. Cole
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Mrs. Paul D. Truby

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Wm. H. Crouse

ASS'T. FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

David Hoag
Maxwell P. Smith
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Herman W. Sgarist
Dr. A. C. Worley

CHURCH CLERK: Mrs. Owen Vaught

CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS:

Miss Mildred Hartman
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Dear Christian Friends:

It was good to get back from the snow and cold weather of the Southland, to the bright, crisp, clear air of an Indiana winter. One expects things to be rather chilly the month of December this far north, but who expects snow in Alabama at any time of the year? It is good to be back home again where we belong! There are several things I need to mention this morning:

This Sunday is Christmas Sunday in the life of the church. It is the time we make a special offering for the AGED and the ORPHANS, two groups that have no Christmas unless the Church cares enough to share. You and I will be their SANTA CLAUS in a very real sense. We are their "bread and butter". It would be difficult to watch the glow of happiness on the faces of our children and to remember that there were multitudes of little ones needing our help to whom we turned an indifferent heart. When you place your offering in the BENEVOLENT GIFT ENVELOPE pause to say a prayer for the little ones without a home, except the home the church through you provides in the name of Christ.

Christmas is a time when we give with an air of divine foolishness. We give gifts that often are beyond our means to give — because this is the season of giving, and Christmas would not be Christmas without the spirit of giving. But have you ever thought of how often we merely EXCHANGE GIFTS. To GIVE a gift one gives without thinking of what he is to receive in return. To exchange gifts one gives to those from whom he EXPECTS a gift in return! This type of giving is a travesty and a tragedy. Therefore, I present you with a second OPPORTUNITY for GIVING! The BUILDING FUND has need of your constant support. What more wonderful gift could you make on the Day of Christ's birth than a gift to the Church which seeks to make Him known all year round?

School for Christian Living Snack 6:30 — "The Messiah" 7:30.

Today's Sermon: "A LAMP UNTO THY FEET" CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE — 8:00 P.M.



GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

"Unto you is born this day . . . a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

LUKE 2:10

The angelic proclamation to Judean shepherds echoes around the world today . . . bringing joyous news to all in whom Christ abides . . . for truly Christ Jesus came for you, and you, and you.

Christmas IS CHRIST'S DAY

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MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Men of the Church will hold their Prayer Breakfast, Saturday morning, December 20th at 7 A.M. All the men are invited to join in this hour of fellowship and prayer. Rev. Wascovich will lead the worship.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

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In the pure soul, although it sing or pray,
The Christ is born anew from day to day;
The life that knoweth him shall bide apart
And keep eternal Christmas in the heart.

—Elizabeth Stuart Phelps

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Nursery Department	25	2.22
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	20	1.61
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	42	4.40
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	37	4.85
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	12	2.11
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	29	4.86
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
Se "58" Class	29	11.94
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Home-Double Class	35	15.92
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Seaman	6	3.00
Progressive Class	40	20.86
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Kindly Class	14	3.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.80
TOTALS	320	82.13

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

This Sunday evening, School for Christian Living will be from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. Snack time — 6:30. The Sanctuary Choir will sing the Oratorio, "The Messiah" at 7:30 P.M.

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SERVICE FOR BLESSING THE BABIES

The service for Blessing Our Babies will be held on Christmas Eve at 8 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary. All mothers desiring to bring their babies to this service, please call the Church Office — H-6222.

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STATION WGL

Will broadcast the complete work of George Frederick Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah" on Christmas Eve, December 24 at 10 P.M. D.S.T. "The Messiah" broadcast will feature the Huddersfield Choral Society with the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Malcolm Sargent.

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VISITATION

Our monthly Visitation will be on Tuesday evening, December 30. Men and women who will help make these calls please be at the church by 7 P.M. William R. Love, Chairman.

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'58 CLASS PARTY

The '58 Class Christmas Party will be held Friday evening, December 19, at 8 P.M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schmidt, 4705 Woodway Drive. Assistant hosts are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church. Bring a \$1.00 Grab-bag; the women bring a gift for a woman; the men a gift for a man. There will be fun for all so plan to be there.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class Christmas Party will be held at the church in Fellowship Hall, Saturday, December 20 at 6:00 P.M. It will be pot-luck so bring table service and covered dish. Coffee will be furnished.

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OFFICIAL BOARD

The Official Board will meet next Sunday morning in the Church Parlor immediately following the Morning Worship service, for the purpose of electing a Chairman and Vice-chairman. The Board of Trustees, Board of Elders, Board of Deacons and Board of Deaconesses will meet separately to elect their chairmen. Notices have been sent to all Board members of this meeting.

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(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.
Junior Church.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	324
Church School Attendance	320
Regular Church Offering	709.83
Building Fund Offering	179.30
Church School	82.33

TOTAL \$971.46

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

JANUARY 4

12 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

1959 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Have YOU picked up your carton of envelopes from the Narthex? Please do so! Should you have difficulty in finding your carton please speak to Mrs. Vaught, Church Secretary.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Freda Flaugh has been a patient in St. Joseph's hospital. Her home address: 4510 South Monroe Street.

Mr. Marvin McCarty is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

Little Andrea Naile is sick with measles. Julia had them last week.

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INTER CHURCH BASKETBALL

Our High School team will play First Presbyterian team on Monday, December 22, at 6:45 P.M.

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The Junior Team will play West Creighton Team Saturday, December 20, at 12:45 P.M.

Our Teams need your support!

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

We open here our treasures and our gifts;

And some of it is gold,

And some is frankincense,

And some is myrrh;

For some has come from plenty,

Some from joy,

And some from deepest sorrow of the soul.

But Thou, O God, dost know the gift is love,

Our pledge of peace, our promise of good-will.

Accept the gift and all the life we bring

—H. H. Hines

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THE STAR

We know not through what trackless space of night,

Nor from what realms it brought the radiant light,

What deserts, seas, or gardens felt its ray
Before its beams touched where the Christ-Child lay.

Men may not sight it, measure its vast swing,

Nor time its balance like a temporal thing
Yet close, at Christmas, gleams the aged old sign

Of Bethlehem's Star, above your heart and mine.

—Ida Norton Munson

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"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased!"

St. Luke 2:14



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 17

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Number 13

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

By the time you receive this note Christmas will be past and mother's job of cleaning, etc. will have begun! It was thrilling to have had 515 in the morning worship service, and a large crowd in the evening service. The choir did a truly magnificent job with THE MESSIAH. Our sincere appreciation to Mr. Wetzel for all his hard work with the choir, to Mrs. Scott for the long, extra hours on the organ getting ready for the program, and our hats are off to Mr. Wayne Brown, Mrs. Robert Cocherille, Mrs. Janet Weicker, for their lovely solos; and of course to Bob Cocherille for "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" on Sunday morning! It is always a privilege to listen to you wonderful folk sing the praises of God. The choir was in rare form both on Sunday morning, and for THE MESSIAH. Thanks a million to all of you!

The MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST continues to be an inspiration to all who make the effort to attend! Once again on Saturday morning there were 23 men who made the effort to be there for the fellowship of Christian men, and the fellowship of prayer. Thanks to Mr. Ed Allen, and Bill Franklin, we had a menu that would do a restaurant proud: fried potatoes, eggs, bacon, CORN BREAD, toast, etc. You see men we really have a wonderful time at the tables as well as in the Chapel! The next MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will be at 7:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 3! Mr. David Hogg will bring the meditation. Messrs. Glass, Jeff Young, Bill Wetzel, Hugh Rice, etc. will be in charge of the menu! If there are persons for whom you would like these men to pray, please notify the church office. The sick, the shut-in, the unsaved, and the unchurched are people for whom we shall continue to pray.

Sunday morning will be the last Sunday of the "ole" year. I shall bring a message on the theme: THE PRICE OF THE SUPREME. I have listened to a great number of excuses in my lifetime as to why people cannot come to church, cannot teach in Bible school, cannot do this or that for Christ, and when boiled down, our excuses merely mean we will not pay the price God demands for serving Him. What price must a man pay for spirituality?

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

1. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
2. MIND AND IN MIND
3. MIND ON THE MIND

THE Best

RESOLUTION



● For happiness throughout the year
And peace you will hold dear

RESOLVE TO FOLLOW CHRIST

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, December 28, 1958

ELDERS:

Hugh Rice — Robert Clipp

DEACONS: Serving during December

Captain: Albert Powell, K-5095

William J. Conrad
A. Jefferson Young
Solon E. Merriman
Harold K. Pritchard
Frank M. Moody
Romane H. Cole
Paul D. Truby
Merland G. Heller
Melvin Evans
Bueford Tharp
LeRoy Timbrook
Homer Stevenson

ASSOCIATE DEACONS: Serving during December

A. Neil Allen
John D. Freed
William Caldwell
Carl H. Thomas
John C. Varner
Wendell Glass
Billy O. Heath

HOSPITALITY:

Mrs. Robert Clipp, Chairman

DEACONESS: Mrs. Irene Cline

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop is for children of Primary age, and is in session during the regular Church hour, 10:30 A.M. to 11:45 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Weikel are in charge for the month of December.

PLEASE NOTE!!

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

There will NOT be a School for Christian Living Sunday evening, December 28. However, School for Christian Living will again be held Sunday evening, January 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. Program at 5:30 P.M. Dr. A. C. Worley will speak on "Religion and Health". Snack time 6:30 P.M.

1959 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Have YOU picked up your carton envelopes from the Narthex? Please do so! Should you have difficulty in finding your carton please speak to Mrs. Vaughn Church Secretary.

1959 FLOWER CALENDAR

The 1959 Flower Calendar will be placed in the Narthex shortly. Those desiring to remember an anniversary or give flowers in memory of a loved one may do so by signing the Calendar. For the Church flowers the fee is \$5.00. The donor is privileged to make whatever disposition they wish of the flowers following the Morning Worship Service.

The green envelopes found in your box of church envelopes are for your convenience when contributing to the Flower Fund of the Church. This Fund takes care of our flowers, not only for the church but for funerals within our membership.

NOTICE!! DEADLINE!!

Tidings goes to press Monday, December 29. Please get your notices in to the Office.

BASKETBALL

Our High School team will play West
Freighton Team on Monday, December
9 at 7:45 P.M.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. Charles Tharp is again a patient
at Lutheran Hospital, Room 468.

Mrs. Ella Maxwell fell and broke her
arm. She is in Lutheran Hospital, Room
96.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Higdon Circle will meet on JAN-
UARY 8, 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Robert
Lipp, 1108 McKinnie. Program by Mrs.
Wen Vaught, Devotions by Mrs. Ethel
Schhart. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN
DATE!

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF will meet Sunday, December
8 at 6:30 P.M. Program, "The Dead Sea
Scrolls" by William Franklin. There will
be Election of Officers for the coming year.

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THANK GOD TODAY

Let us be thankful . . . for all that we
possess . . . a home, a job and time
enough . . . for extra happiness . . . our
freedom of religion and . . . the right to
shape our mind . . . and for the constant
kindliness . . . of neighbors good and
kind . . . let us give thanks to God again
that we are not at war . . . and in all
likelihood we have . . . prosperity in store
that we have clothes and food and
sink . . . to keep ourselves content . . .
and we may vote as we prefer . . . for
better government . . . let us give gratitude
for all . . . the ways in which we thrive
and more especially that we . . . are
healthy and alive. —James J. Metcalfe

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New Year's Day is a turning point be-
tween the failures and faults of the past
and the better and braver deeds of the
future.

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Today is the second chance which God
gives us to right the wrongs, correct the
mistakes and readjust the differences that
marred our yesterdays. Today is another
opportunity to cancel, to expiate, to raise,
to adorn.

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The New Year offers the old world a
new chance.

A day is a wonderful thing. It is like a
great doorway flung wide for you to pass
rough into all manner of adventures.

—St. Nicholas

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, December 21

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	12	.36
Nursery Department	29	4.73
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	19	4.10
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Primary Department	43	6.45
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	38	8.59
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	15	3.45
Mr. James Naile		
High School Department	21	3.08
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	29	13.50
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Mr. John S. Craig		
Come-Double Class	41	21.30
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Berean	16	35.35
Progressive Class	34	30.50
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwacher		
Friendly Class	16	30.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	5.50
TOTALS	336	197.11

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Communion — Church Sanctuary.

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages, Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.
Junior Church.

6:30 P.M.

Christian Men's Fellowship.

YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	515
Church School Attendance	336
Regular Church Offering	892.63
Building Fund Offering	677.86
Church School	197.11
Christmas Offerings	240.15

TOTAL \$2007.55

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

JANUARY 4

11 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

"TEACH ME THY PATIENCE"

If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within, and all God's wor-
ings see,
We could interpret all this doubt and
strife,
And for each mystery could find a key
But not today, Then be content, po-
Heart!
God's plans, like lilies pure and white
unfold:
We must not tear the close-shut leaves
apart—

Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.
—Mary Riley Smith

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VISITATION

Our monthly Visitation will be on Tuesday evening, December 30. Men and women who will help make these calls please be at the church by 7 P.M. William R. Love, Chairman.

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NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS OFFICIAL BOARD

Chairman—William R. Love.
Vice-Chairman—Paul D. Truby.
Chairman of Trustees—David Hogg.
Secretary of Trustees—William H. Crouse.
Chairman, Elders—Harold W. Crowder.
Chairman, Deacons—Edwin R. Hall.
Chairman, Deaconesses—Mrs. Myron Cole.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our hearts are saddened in the recent death of Mrs. Anna Schenck. Mrs. Schenck attended our services whenever she was visiting in the city and she was well loved by many. We shall all miss her. To her family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smell and Arlene, we extend our deepest sympathy and pray that God will console and comfort them in their sorrow.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mrs. Roy Finton and her family in the recent loss of her mother, Mrs. A. Amburn. Mrs. Amburn, was for many years a member of this church.

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The Bible is the support of the strong and the consolation of the weak; the foundation of organized government and the foundation of religion.

—Calvin Coolidge

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Life is a voyage; the human soul is a ship. The uncharted seas of the New Year lie before us. It will not be all calm seas and sunny skies. There will also be shoals and reefs and storms. What comfort it is, when the shoals of temptation threaten, the reefs of trouble rise and the storms of sorrow surround us, to know that Jesus is the Captain of our souls and His Word the chart of our voyage.

—Wil



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

My family and I should like to take this opportunity to thank this great church for its many kindnesses shown us in the past Christmas season. We appreciated from the bottom of our hearts all the lovely Christmas cards, your many gifts, and above all the offer of your friendship and fellowship. We are proud to be your ministers. Our fondest desire is to be faithful servants of Christ on your behalf. Our great hope is to merit in some small measure your respect and cooperation.

As we look back on the past two years we can say they have been happy ones, fruitful ones, in our Lord's service. First Christian Church is a great church, great because its people care for the Kingdom of God. Each new venture of faith has met with an instant response and faithfulness on your part. Our deepest longing and highest aspiration is to know Christ more fully. I'd trade the wealth of India for a fuller understanding of Him who laid the foundations of the universe. My constant prayer is that each of you shall keep inviolate the deep well-springs of the heart, that you shall take more of the opportunities you have for spiritual growth: for "WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT A MAN IF HE SHOULD GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS SOUL?"

The morning worship services, the Bible School hour, the fellowship groups: Men, women, and youth, the men's prayer breakfast, all, are avenues of approach into the life and heart of God. Use them regularly!

The Men's Prayer Breakfast continues to reach our men. Last Saturday morning the men who had not been there previously came to add their witness to the worth of prayer and Christian fellowship. The officers of this informal fellowship are: Mr. Ann Miller, chairman, Mr. Carl Smith, vice chairman, and Mr. Clair Buskirk, secretary-treasurer. The next PRAYER BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday morning, January 17.

In one week we have seen manifested the ability of our members to lead in spiritual awareness. Mr. David Hogg on Saturday morning brought a challenging message on THE MINISTRY OF THE SPIRIT, and on Sunday evening Dr. A. C. Worley brought an informative and inspiring message on, "THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MENTAL AND HEALTH." Congratulations and Thanks to both.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, January 4

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	10	.50
Nursery Department	23	1.57
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	18	2.26
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Verlin J. Warnock		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
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Primary Department	43	3.37
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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James R. Shockney		
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Progressive Class	42	18.35
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Mrs. E. T. Fusselman		
John C. Varner		
Arza Smith		
Elmer Darwachter		
Friendly Class	11	33.76
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.75
TOTALS	319	\$129.52

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad, 1301 Lynn Avenue, Monday evening, January 12, 8 P.M. Miss Verna Sullivan is Worship leader, Miss Mildred Hartman, program

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. George Bruckman, 3729 South Drive Tuesday evening, January 13, at 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Edwin Allen will serve as co-hostess. Program by Mrs. Gail Hunt, Devotional. Mrs. Wm. R. Love.

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ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Associated Churches of Fort Wayne. The annual dinner will be held Monday evening, January 26 at the Forest Park Methodist Church. A special feature of the program this year will be music by the acapella choir of North Side High School. Dr. Walter R. Hand, Executive Secretary of the Indiana Council of Churches will be the special speaker. The cost of the dinner will be \$1.50 per plate. Everyone is invited.

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IN APPRECIATION

Mr. Arthur Klaehn, a friend of the church, made a gift to the Building fund of \$100.00. This is something Mr. Klaehn has done for several years. We wish to express our deepest appreciation to him for his fine Christian spirit and generous gift. We know God will bless him, richly in the new year.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School Young people will meet at their regular time next Sunday evening in the Youth Room. Following their program they will join in the Fellowship and snack hour at 6:30 P.M.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS — 1959

The Progressive Class held their election of officers. Those elected were: Co-Presidents Earl Plummer and Jefferson Young; Vice-President Delmas Young; Secretary Mrs. Paul Truby; Treasurer, Elmer Darwachter.

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Dost Thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

If time be of all things most precious then wasting time is the greatest prodigality; for lost time is never found again.

— Benjamin Franklin

Jesus Asks

Just as Christ queried Simon Peter with the soul-searching question, so also He asks you:

**"LOVEST
THOU
ME"**

HIS COMMAND: "Feed My Sheep,"
has not been modified or diminished.

Those who love Christ will find joy in worship in His House . . . They will not neglect regular attendance.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Men's Fellowship held an election of officers at their last meeting. Those elected were: President, Edwin Allen; Vice-President, Jack Sweeney; Secretary-Treasurer, Wm. E. Franklin. The next meeting of the CMF will be Sunday, January 18 at 5:30 P.M. in the chapel. Mr. R. Nelson Snider will speak "The Anatomy of Humor".

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DISTRICT TRAINING SCHOOL

There will be a District Training School for sponsors of Evening Groups and Sunday School teachers of both Senior and Junior High Youth, at the Christian Church, Kenilworth, Indiana, February 7. Registration will be from 9:00 to 9:30 A.M. The school will close at 4:30 P.M.

Mrs. Bickel, District Advisor of Youth work.

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STREET PARKING — LOT PARKING

Complaints again have come to us regarding some of our members parking their cars during Morning worship over private driveways in the vicinity of the church. Please refrain from blocking these drive-ways.

When parking in the church lot take care to conserve space so that there will be room for all cars.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, January 11, 1959

ELDERS:

Grayston Cripe — Wm. H. Crouse

DEACONS:

Captain: Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer Stevenson

Delmas Young

C. Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

Geo. Bruckman

Jefferson Young

Carl Linn

Olos Fox

Fred Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

HOSPITALITY:

Mrs. Earl Fusselman, Chairman

DEACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

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10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.

Primary Workshop.

Junior Church.

5:30 P.M.

School For Christian Living Program.

William E. Bennett will show film — Brussels World's Fair.

6:30 P.M. Snack Time

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	400
Church School Attendance	319
Regular Church Offering	1295.15
Building Fund Offering	879.65
Church School	129.52

TOTAL \$2304.32

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 1

10 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

William E. Bennett will show film on the Brussels World's Fair next Sunday evening as the School for Christian Living program. Snack time will be at 6:45 P.M. Mrs. Arza Smith, chairman.

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BASKETBALL

The Junior Team will play the Crescen Ave. EUB Team Saturday, January 10, at 1:30 P.M. The High School team will play St. John's E & R team Tuesday, January 1 at 8:45 P.M.

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AMONG THE SICK

Mrs. Ernest Pond is a patient in Room 569, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Eva Mosier has been ill and is at the home of her son, 2704 Waynedale Blvd.

Mr. Charles Tharp is now at home after being a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. McCarty is improving rapidly at home, 449½ E. Wildwood.

Mrs. Maude Thurman has been quite ill and is at her daughter's home, 260 East Drive.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Ward Bundy in the recent death of her brother, William Davis of Muncie.

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COME - DOUBLE CLASS

The Come-Double Class will hold the monthly Class meeting on Saturday evening, January 10 in Fellowship Hall. There will be a White Elephant Party from 8:10:30 P.M.

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SELF-DENIAL

The country church needed funds, and the pastor urged his people to practice self-denial for a week and donate whatever savings they had made.

At the end of the week, one of the members of the parish called at the rectory and handed over two dollars and ten cents.

"Thank you very much," said the pastor. "But why is your contribution all dimes?"

"Well, Father," replied the other, "I am in the habit of having three rye and sodas a day. But this week I made a little sacrifice." Pointing to the dimes, he added, "Those are the sodas."

—William Buckley in The Sign.
Copied—Catholic Sunday Visitor



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, January 22, 1959

Number 17

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

May I take this opportunity to thank all the members of the board and their families who attended the breakfast and dedication service on Sunday morning. I felt it was a lovely service and was proud of the efforts you took to make it a success. Our special thanks to the ladies who prepared the breakfast!

It is time to start thinking about our preparation for the brightest day on earth — Easter Sunday. Many churches call this period of spiritual preparation, Lent. In the "free" churches this designation is only slowly coming into usage. Whatever we might call this period of preparation, the preparation itself is essential for growth in spiritual awareness. The sermons beginning the First Sunday in Lent, (the 15th of Feb.) and continuing through Easter will deal with the plan of redemption.

The Pastor's Class for our youth who contemplate church membership will be held on five successive Saturday mornings. The first one will be held at 10 A.M. on Saturday, February 21st. They will continue to Saturday, March 21st. All of our youth from ages nine through twelve, or older, are urged to attend. Parents please contact the church office if your child desires to attend so that sufficient materials will be on hand.

Another venture of faith will begin on February 15th at 8:00 A.M. This will be the advent of two morning worship services, the first lasting from 8:00 - 9:00 — followed by the regular schedule of Bible School and Church worship. Thus the schedule would be:

- 8:00 - 9:00 Early Morning Worship.
- 9:15 - 10:15 Bible School for All Ages.
- 10:30 - 11:40 Regular Morning Worship Service.

The C. Y. F. Choir will be responsible for the early service choir and solos. We hope that in time we can fill our sanctuary twice on every Sunday morning.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, January 18

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	11	52
Nursery Department	19	1.07
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	16	1.33
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	40	3.25
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	46	7.62
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
John Johnston		
Junior High Department	10	2.45
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	23	3.13
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	29	12.10
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	37	22.75
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Louis M. Culbertson		
Ben G. Taylor		
Mrs. Elliott Bragg		
Berean	12	5.75
Progressive Class	44	20.00
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	13	2.65
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.90
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.60
TOTALS		321 \$90.12

DISTRICT INSTITUTE

District One Institute for Junior and Senior High School Sunday School teachers and CYF and Chi Rho Counselors will be February 7 at the Kendallville Church. Registration from 9 to 9:30 A.M. Mr. Ly Harvey, Dept. of Religious Education, Indianapolis, will preside over the Institute. Lunch will be served by the ladies of the Kendallville Church. Fee \$1.00 which includes registration and lunch. Reservations should be sent to Rev. Maxwell Webb, State and Mitchell Sts., by Wednesday, February 4.

Mrs. Lloyd Bickel, District Youth Leader

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team will play Union Baptist team Tuesday, January 27, at 7:30 P.M.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Youth Fellowship will meet at 5:30 P.M. Sunday at the home of Merle and Beatrice Rice, 5827 Fernwood Drive. The discussion will be entitled "Do Unto Others". Worship will be led by Dick Skelton. Supper will be provided. Recreation will follow. All High School Youth are invited.

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"WHAT IS THAT IN THINE HAND?"

"And the Lord said to him, 'What is that in thine hand?' And Moses answered, 'A rod.'" Perhaps it seemed a small thing with which to lead the multitudes of Israel but the Lord means for us to use that which we have to further His Kingdom upon earth. Each of us has twenty-four hours a day. It may be that much of it is spoken for, but some of it we can and should give to the Lord. Everyone has some ability or talent. It may be small but it is given to us as a sacred trust. If we yield it unto the Lord who knows what great things may result.

—Thomas E. Waters

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AND THEN SOME

A prominent salesman summed up his success in three simple words — "and then some." "I discovered at an early age," he said, "that most of the differences between average and top people could be explained in three words. The top people did what was expected of them — and then some. They were thoughtful of others; they were considerate and kind — and then some. They met their obligations and responsibilities fairly and squarely — and then some. They were good friends to their friends and could be counted on in an emergency — and then some."



COMING EVENTS

January 25, Youth Sunday. The Youth of the Church will participate in the Morning Worship.

February 15, Christian Theological Seminary Day. Our Goal—\$600.00.

February 15, We will begin Two Services.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Smith and family, in the recent death of Mr. Smith's father at Cairo, Ohio.

Our sincere expression of sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Cole and family, in the recent death of Mrs. Cole's mother, Mrs. Cox, of Sullivan, Indiana.

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THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Donald Miller is a patient in Room 270, Joseph's Hospital.

Louis M. Culbertson is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 492.

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The human creature needs first of all to be educated, not that he may speak, but that he may have something to say.

—Thomas Carlyle

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, January 25, 1959

ELDERS:

David Griggs — Jack E. Weicker

DEACONS:

Captain: Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer Stevenson

Delmas Young

C. Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

Geo. Bruckman

Jefferson Young

Carl Linn

Olos Fox

Fred Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

HOSPITALITY:

Mrs. Earl Fusselman, Chairman

DEACONESS: Mrs. Myron Cole

FEBRUARY 1, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Communion — Church Sanctuary.

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages, Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

(Nursery is maintained for children: Infants and children through 5 years).

10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.
Junior Church.

5:30 P.M. School for Christian Living.

6:30 P.M. Snack Time.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	384
Church School Attendance	321
Regular Church Offering	716.72
Building Fund Offering	143.41
Church School	90.12

TOTAL \$950.25

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 1

10 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

1959 FLORAL CALENDAR

Our 1959 Calendar is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Those of you who wish to give flowers to the Church for the chancel, in memory of a loved one, or honoring some anniversary, please sign your name for the Sunday desired.

Thank you.

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FISH FRY — FEBRUARY 6

The Christian Men's Fellowship is sponsoring the Akron, Indiana, Jonah Club Fish Fry on February 6 from 6 to 8 P.M. Tickets: Adults \$1.50, Children 6 to 12 years, 50c. Public is invited. Tickets may be purchased from members of the CM.

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PASTOR'S CLASS 1959

The Pastor's Class, a class of instruction for Church membership, will be held each Saturday morning, beginning February 7 thru March 21. Children and young people interested in becoming members of the church are invited to attend these classes.

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I BELIEVE IN THE TITHE

Peter Marshall

Surely there is something wrong with our lives and standards of values, when we compare what we spend for amusements and what we give to the church. There are gifts made at a cost and so are willing to do without personal comforts in order to have a real part in the Kingdom of God.

But there are other members who contributions are more casual and:

Their gifts are more like tips . . .

Less than the annual dues in the church.

Less than the amount spent on necessities.

It makes you wonder about their standard of values. It clearly reveals the things they consider important. But we are in no doubt as to what the Lord thinks of it.

For my part, I believe in the tithe—that is, giving one-tenth of one's income to the Lord's work, and I practice it.

I believe that if the tithe was practiced for the Jews — and certainly Jesus proved it— then we Christians cannot give less and yet be ready to face God at the judgment bar.

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Socrates once said, "Could I climb to the highest place in Athens, I would lift my voice and proclaim — Fellow-citizens, why do you turn and scrape every stone to gather wealth, and take so little care of your children to whom one day you must relinquish it all?"

—Family Circle

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The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.
Proverbs 9:10.



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Number 19

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

I know you haven't forgotten the MEN'S FISH FRY, on this Friday, Feb. 6th, with continuous serving from 6-8 P.M. The entire proceeds will be used on needed projects around the church. The first item for consideration will be to illuminate the parking lot! Spring and its attendant mud are approaching (did I hear someone say, "yes, but from afar") and the men are anxious to place the lights in the parking area to keep our feet both dry and free of mud. Your cooperation in this project is needed. REMEMBER ALL THE FISH YOU CAN EAT and the BEST FISH AVAILABLE!

School for Christian Living topic: "THE BEGINNINGS OF CHRISTIANITY". The minister will conduct a series of messages related to the rise and spread of Christianity. The schedule will remain the same 5:50-6:30: Lecture and Discussion; Snack Time: 6:30-7:30 P.M.

The first of our special offerings will be coming up on February 15th. The entire Bible School Offering will go to the support of CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (formerly the School of Religion, Butler University). We should like very much to raise \$1,000 for the support of this largest of all our Brotherhood Seminaries. The Christian Theological Seminary trains more than 1/3 of the total graduates of our seven graduate seminaries! Your help is needed if we are to continue to train and educate men and women for the ministry of Christ! We need 100 people who will give \$10 each to reach our goal. Without such a goal we shall fall very much short of our share of this great task. There are many who should have a much larger share, some \$25, some \$50, yes, and some \$100 contributions. Only you and the Lord can determine your share in "PREACHING THE WORD".

At 8:00 A.M. on Sunday morning, February 15, we shall begin our early morning worship service. This is the first Sunday in Lent, and we are urging every one of our church families to be in attendance in one of the worship services every Sunday until Easter! The Youth of the Church will provide the special music and the choir.

F E L L O W S H I P

with  *God*

MEANS clasping His outstretched hand . . . It means walking with Him every day, every hour of the day . . . It means confident, glorious living.

**GOD HAS DONE HIS PART
HAVE YOU DONE YOURS?**

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Sunday, February 8, 1959

ELDERS:

Floyd Morrical — David Griggs

DEACONS: For February—

Captain — J. Carl Smith, S-4661

Herbert C. Banet

Charles R. Ludwig

Herdie Helmuth

L. M. Culbertson

Laurence Coleman

F. Marion Coburn

James J. Cain

William E. Bennett

Kenneth L. Edwards

William J. Conrad

Solon E. Merriman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Garland Morroff

Edwin Allen

William Franklin

Orville Moody

Cecil Beck

HOSPITALITY: for February—

Mrs. Paul Truby, Chairman

DEACONESS:

Mrs. William J. Conrad

STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. David Griggs are the proud parents of a little son, Daniel David, born January 31, at Parkview Hospital. We wish to sincerely congratulate David and Jane.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Dow Wilkins is a patient in Room 300, Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Doyle Anderson, a friend of the Church, is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 376.

Mrs. Scott Powers fell recently at her home. She has been convalescing from a recent illness.

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OUR SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Scott Powers in the recent loss of her brother.

We wish also to extend sympathy to Mrs. Carmen Grant in the recent loss of her husband. Mrs. Grant is the sister of our Mrs. Hilda Geyer Brown.

We pray God will sustain and comfort these folk in their hour of sorrow.

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Whatsoever is bad during Lent is bad also the rest of the year.

MARCH 1, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
Circle Meetings

The Montgomery Circle will meet with
rs. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird Ave.
uesday, February 10, at 7:30 P.M. Mrs.
erbert Banet is co-Hostess. Program by
rs. Paul Yentes, Devotions by Mrs.
eorge Bruckman.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with
Miss Verna Sullivan, 121 E. Branning Ave.,
Monday evening, February 9 at 8:00 P.M.
orship Leader Miss Mildred Hutchinson,
rogram, Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad.

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PASTOR'S CLASS

The Pastor's Class begins Saturday
morning, February 21, 10:00 to 11:00 o'clock.
Please call the office if your son or daugh-
ter is planning to enroll in these classes.
They will meet at the Church for five
consecutive Saturdays, ending March 21.

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BOY'S COAT!!!

Some one left a boy's grey coat here
at the church and took, by mistake, an-
other boy's coat and hat. Please check
your coat. If you find you do not have
your own, please call the church office,
6222. Thank you.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School-CYF will meet at their
usual time, 5:30 P.M., next Sunday evening
in the Youth Room. At 6:45 they will join
other groups for Snack time in Fellowship
Hall.

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30 PIECES OF SILVER

For the third year you will have oppor-
tunity to give.

"JESUS GAVE HIS ALL"

Wednesday, February 11 is the be-
ginning of Lent. We are mailing you your
title offering bag for your Eastertime
offering of love. Judas betrayed our Lord
for 30 Pieces of Silver. We are now
privileged to give 30 pieces of silver for
one Who gave His life for us.

Place daily your silver offering in the
title bag.

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The Lenten season calls for a consecra-
tion of both life and possessions to Christ
and His glorious Church. The measure
of blessing we receive from an observa-
tion of Lent will depend upon our re-
sponse to its appeal.

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to be educated, not that he may speak,
but that he may have something to say.
—Thomas Carlyle

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CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, February 1

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	10	.55
Nursery Department	30	2.49
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	1.70
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	49	5.28
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	36	7.52
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
Junior High Department	14	2.10
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	21	2.40
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	27	14.00
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	41	21.20
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	15	9.00
Progressive Class	32	20.25
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	14	13.85
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	13	6.10
TOTALS	331	\$116.44

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10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.
Junior Church.

5:30 P.M. School for Christian Living.

6:30 P.M. Snack Time.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	395
Church School Attendance	331
Regular Church Offering	829.93
Building Fund Offering	408.90
Church School	116.44

TOTAL \$1355.27

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

MARCH 1

9 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

COME DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

The Come Double Class will have Folk Dance in the Church Gym Saturday evening, February 14, from 8 to 10:30 P.M. Guests are invited. Tickets are \$1.50 per couple and will be available at the door.

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'58 CLASS

The '58 Class will have a Pot-lu supper February 14 at 6:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall of the Church. Bring a cover dish. Rolls and drink will be furnished. Hostesses for the evening are: Mr. and Mrs. William Kintzel and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Morroff. Entertainment is being planned so do be there for food and fun.

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"There are strange ways of serving God
You sweep a room, or turn a sod;
And suddenly to your surprise,
You hear the whir of Seraphim,
And know you're under God's own eye
And building palaces for Him."

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THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

February 13, 1959 at the First Presbyterian Church at 1:30 P.M.

This is the seventy-third observance of World Day of Prayer. Services begin at the Tonga Islands, west of the International Date Line. Throughout the day observances are held in one hundred forty-four countries, ending with the setting of the sun on St. Lawrence Island, Alaska.

The purpose of the Day is to unite all Christians in a bond of prayer, to pray for all peoples of the world.

In the United States, the Day is sponsored by the United Church Women of the National Council of the Churches of Christ.

Mrs. George Wascovich and Mrs. H. Helmuth will represent First Christian Church in the program. Please come and share this hour of prayer.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

PUBLIC STEAK DINNER

FRIDAY, MARCH 6.

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Still as of old
Men by themselves are priced —
For thirty pieces Judas sold
Himself, not Christ.

—H. H. Cholmondeley



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Number 20

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Wednesday of this week is the beginning of "Lent". Lent, a derivative of the Anglo-Saxon word "Lencten" meaning spring, is a period of soul-refreshment. Since the fourth century this season has been devoted to Christian nurture through discipline and penitence. Lent begins on "ash Wednesday", the fortieth weekday before Easter, and concludes at noon on the Saturday of Holy Week. The forty days are variously identified with the forty days during which Jesus fasted in the wilderness, the forty days spent by Moses on Sinai, the forty hours of Christ's entombment, and the forty days between the resurrection and the ascension. These are to be days of genuine spiritual restoration, commitment, and re-creation.

There are six Sundays in Lent. The fifth is designated as Passion Sunday and the sixth is Palm Sunday. It is inconceivable that those who believe themselves to be followers of Christ can miss any of these six Sundays. Activities which do not center the life and teaching, death and resurrection of Jesus, somehow, seem inappropriate. In such a season the words we sing in the sanctuary are appropriate for our home meditations during these next forty days:

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my life, my soul, my all.

There will be TWO MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES DURING THE LENTEN SEASON

8:00 — 9:00 Early Morning Worship
9:15 — 10:15 Bible School
10:30 — 11:45 Regular Morning Worship

The Youth Choir will lead us in the early morning worship services. During the Sunday evening service which begins at 5:30 P.M. the PARKVIEW YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHOIR will present the special program of sacred music.

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OFFERING GOAL: \$600 !

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE
Sunday, February 15, 1959

EARLY SERVICE — 8:00 A.M.

ELDERS:

Eural G. Rose — William R. Love

DEACONS:

Captain — J. Carl Smith, S-4661
Herbert C. Banet
Charles R. Ludwig
Herdis Helmuth
L. M. Culbertson
Laurence Coleman
F. Marion Coburn
James J. Cain
William E. Bennett
Kenneth L. Edwards
William J. Conrad
Solon E. Merriman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Garland Morrolf
Edwin Allen
William Franklin
Orville Moody
Cecil Beck

HOSPITALITY: for February—

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Do not let the trivialities of life blind you to the supreme importance of things eternal.

LATE SERVICE — 10:30 A.M.

ELDERS:

Grayston Cripe — Robert Rayl

DEACONS:

Captain—Harold Addison, H-79715
Frank M. Moody
Paul D. Truby
C. Bueford Tharp
LeRoy Timbrook
Gorden Welker
Jack B. Brickley
Albert J. Powell
John F. Hechler
Howard J. Howell
Robert Hendricks
Phillip Uhl

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Malcolm Stroad
Wayne E. Newton
Omer Guingrich
Carl Nickerson
Stephen Blaising

MY MASTER'S FACE

No pictured likeness of my Lord have I,
He carved no record of his ministry
On wood or stone.
He left no sculptured tomb nor parchment
dim,
But trusted for all memory of him
Men's hearts alone.
Who sees the face but sees in part; who
reads
The spirit which it hides, sees all; he needs
No more. Thy grace —
Thy life in my life, Lord, give thou to me
And then, in truth, I may forever see
My Master's face!

—William H. Hillyer

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Over the Cross of Jesus on Calvary
there was written an inscription in three
languages, Hebrew, Latin and Greek. For
multitudes of people that inscription has
never been translated into English. It is
still Greek to them. The real meaning of
the Cross is still locked up in a dead
language.

—Halford E. Luccock

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You sweep a room, or turn a sod;
And suddenly to your surprise,
You hear the whir of Seraphim,
And know you're under God's own eyes
And building palaces for Him."

MARCH 1, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY



**YOU'RE
MISSING
SOMETHING
MIGHTY
FINE**

**When You Are Absent from
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Those who have not started regular attendance are especially invited to come Sunday.

YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU ATTENDED

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WHERE WERE YOU?

came to your Church last Sunday, walked up and down the aisle. Noticed your seat was vacant," and the Master with kindly smile.

"Yes, I was at home," I answered. "Some folks from up Selma way have down for a week-end visit. We stayed in the house all day."

"I had an awful headache," I had a roast in the pan."

"We overslept this morning, I go whenever I can."

The Master gazed at me sadly and He was about to speak, "My child," He replied, "Are there not other days in the week?"

Now I had grieved my Master slowly He turned away; and I vowed He'd not find me absent again on His Holy Day!

—Selected

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The Lenten season calls for a consecration of both life and possessions to Christ and His glorious Church. The measure of blessing we receive from an observance of Lent will depend upon our response to its appeal.

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Whatsoever is bad during Lent is bad to the rest of the year.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, February 8

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	8	.51
Nursery Department	24	1.83
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	18	1.42
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	47	5.71
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	45	6.70
Mrs. Harold Crowder		
Junior High Department	12	1.34
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	31	6.86
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	25	8.70
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	43	20.05
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	13	4.75
Progressive Class	39	15.90
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	17	3.85
Mrs. Albert Egly		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	403
Church School Attendance	342
Regular Church Offering	760.03
Building Fund Offering	212.30
Church School	82.72

TOTAL \$1055.05

Still as of old
Men by themselves are priced —
For thirty pieces Judas sold
Himself, not Christ.
—H. H. Cholmondeley

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive Committee will meet in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M. Tuesday, February 17. The General Meeting will meet in the Church Parlor at 8 o'clock. Worship by the Kepple Circle; Program: "On Latin America". Miss Helen Wellman, Guest speaker. Miss Wellman will show slides Hospitality by the Nelson Circle; Esther Circle in charge of refreshments.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

PUBLIC STEAK DINNER

FRIDAY, MARCH 6.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. Arthur Richardson is a patient in 415 Parkview Hospital.

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30 PIECES OF SILVER

Place daily your silver offering in the little bag, during this period of preparation for Easter.

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Attend the Lenten services and get acquainted, or renew acquaintance with Him who alone is "the way, the truth, and the life," and without whom "no man cometh unto the Father."

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The Men's Prayer group will meet this Saturday morning at 7:00 A.M.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School Youth will attend the Nurses Choir Concert next Sunday evening in the Sanctuary at 5:30 and join the fellowship at 6:30 P.M. Following Snack time they will meet in the Youth Room for Worship.

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PASTOR'S CLASS

The Pastor's Class begins Saturday morning, February 21, 10:00 to 11:00 o'clock. Please call the office if your son or daughter is planning to enroll in these classes. They will meet at the Church for five consecutive Saturdays, ending March 2.

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BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

MARCH 1

9 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.



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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 17

Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 5, 1959

Number 23

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week I have been in Indianapolis attending the Board of Review of Unified Promotion of the Disciples of Christ. On these National Boards one comes to see quite clearly the needs and the responses of a world program. It is with assurance that the Disciples of Christ face the future! Our Churches are growing rapidly and our financial response to the terrible needs of our world is also growing. We have a long, long way to go to make our world His kind of a world, but many, many brave souls are pointing the way, and walking in it with keen devotion.

Saturday morning from 9—11:30 A.M. the gym will be open to the High School youth who desire to play basketball. The gym will be open from 1—3 P.M. for the youth 8-12 years of age. Mr. Shockney will act as guide and helper during these hours. The youth have been asking for this type of program — so let's come out and get some exercise, and make like Mikan and Bolyard!!

On March 13, the C.Y.F. will meet at the Church at 7 P.M. for their monthly party. From 7-8 P.M. they will swim at the Y. Let's make this **SPLASH PARTY** a real affair, no such thing as a dry affair here!

We have been using our "thinking caps" for several weeks in the morning worship services in the themes, "Seeking the Lost", a "Biblical View of Man", and last Sunday a "Biblical View of Christ". This coming Sunday I propose to preach on the subject **HOW CAN I KNOW GOD**". There are many people who have eagerly sought God in special religious experiences and emotions, and when they have not found Him in this way, they have disappointedly given up the search. This is a great pity, for they knew God all the time, but did not know that they knew Him. I shall attempt to show how God reveals Himself to man, and of how man can sharpen his awareness of the living God. Be thinking of this subject, won't you?

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS FOR MARCH

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Robert Perkins, 241 E. Woodland Ave., Monday evening, March 9, at 8 P.M. Worship leader, Mrs. S. E. Merriman, Program, Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Ralph Keller, 2437 Paulding Rd., Tuesday evening, March 10, 7:30 P.M. Mrs. James Shockney co-hostess. Program by Mrs. William Love, Worship by Mrs. Charles Ludwig.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP STEAK DINNER

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC IS INVITED!

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YOUTH DIRECTOR — ONE DOLLAR CLUB

We are all vitally interested in securing at least a part time Director of Youth or Associate Minister. We have such a person who will take up these duties in the near future. However, in order to meet this added expense, we are launching a **ONE \$ CLUB**.

We would like to enlist **50 families** who will increase their present current pledge \$1.00 per week for this year, in order that we can meet this much needed expense.

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sheets will sponsor the Primary Workshop during the month of March.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The C.Y.F. group will meet for a short worship service in the Youth Room at 5:30 P.M., with their new Counselors, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shockney. The C.Y.F. are co-workers with the '58 Class in preparing and serving the snack at 6:30 P.M.

On Friday evening, March 13, the Youth will have a **SPLASH PARTY**. Meeting at the church from 7 to 8 P.M. and then the group will go to the Y.M.C.A. for swimming.

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IN THY PRESENCE

"We kneel, how weak; we rise, how full of power!

Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong,

Or others, that we are not always strong,
That we are ever overborne with care,
That we should ever weak or heartless be,

Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,

And joy and strength and courage are with Thee."

—Richard C. Trench

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Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	49	5.2
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	49	7.2
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	13	1.6
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	21	2.2
Mr. Chas. Billiard John Johnston		
The "58" Class	24	11.2
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	15	7.2
TOTALS	363	\$115.

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HEAR MORE ABOUT IT SUNDAY

**AT THE MASTER'S TABLE
SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 1959**

EARLY SERVICE — 8:00 A.M.

ELDERS:

Floyd E. Morrical — Glenn R. Miller

DEACONS:

Captain, Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Clarence Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

George Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

Frederic Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

OSPITALITY: for March —

Mrs. Irene Cline, Chairman

DEACONESS:

Mrs. Romane H. Cole

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"Jesus proved that a sinless life can
be lived in a sinful world."

LATE SERVICE — 10:30 A.M.

ELDERS:

Carter Palmer — Grayston Cripe

DEACONS:

Captain, M. B. Sweeney, K-4898

Paul E. Yentes

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

William Caldwell

Edwin Hall

Elmer Darwachter

James H. Naile

Cliff K. Travis

Robert Ogles

Robert Perkins

Marvin McCarty

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Elliott Lee Bragg

Teddy Bryan

William Vunora

Walter Keebortz

John J. Jefferies

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ATTENTION

There will be a short Congregational
meeting following the 10:30 Worship Ser-
vice next Sunday, March 8.

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It is with a deep sense of loss that we
announce the death of Dr. O. L. Shelton,
President of Christian Theological Semi-
nary.

APRIL 5, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	406
Church School Attendance	363
Regular Church Offering	893.26
Building Fund Offering	401.45
Church School	115.86
Special	10.00

TOTAL \$1420.57

WEDDING BELLS

Wedding Bells will ring for Bernadine Bogan next Sunday afternoon, March 8 at 2:30 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary. All members of the Church and friends are cordially invited to attend.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bronson are the proud parents of a new little daughter, Lisa Lee, born February 27.

A little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald B. Elser, Jr. in February.

Congratulations to these parents.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ronald Elliott, Room 417, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Wayne Koehlinger is a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 430.

Lewis Groves is a patient in Room 249 Parkview Hospital, having undergone surgery.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

The Come Double Class are having CLEAN-UP party on Saturday, March 14 at 7:30 P.M. at which time they hope to clean the Nursery and their Class room. All members urged to be present.

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EASTER LILIES!! EASTER SUNDAY!!

Plan to loan your Easter Lilies to your church to be used in the Chancel. You may remove them following the Morning Worship on Easter.

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HOW TO HAVE FAITH

(continued from last week)

(3) Become a regular worshipper in church, thus subjecting yourself to the deepest, most powerful faith atmosphere.

(4) Pray constantly, filling your prayer with faith affirmations. As you affirm faith will deepen in your life.

(5) Live, think and talk as though you had faith. For as we live, think and talk so we are.

(6) Associate with people who demonstrate faith. Their strength will take hold of you.

—Copied

(Continued next week)

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Let the men of the church remember that this Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. the MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will meet for prayer and meditation. Use the prayer booklet as a study guide for the breakfast. Pray that at least 30 men will be present at the next to last Prayer Breakfast prior to Easter!

There are just two more Sunday evening services this winter, as the School for Christian Living will draw to a close the night of Palm Sunday. Let's make these last two services everything they can be, both in our attendance and in our interest.

Our church's witness was enlarged by the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolf, who transferred their membership from the Latonia Christian Church, of Covington, Ky. We rejoice at their entering into our growing fellowship, and pray God will continue to bless them and to use them in His service.

We are happy to announce that by congregational action Mr. James Shockney will begin his relationship with our church immediately. His work will be primarily with our youth, though he will cultivate our membership as well. We welcome Jim and Helen into the official family of the Church, and pray for them a happy and fruitful ministry in our midst.

The sermon topic for this coming Sunday morning is: "MAKING FRIENDS WITH SUS". On Palm Sunday I shall preach on: "UNDERSTANDING THE ATONEMENT"; on Easter Sunday morning the sermon topic is to be: "UNDERSTANDING THE RESURRECTION".

God will be present in the worship service Sunday, will you?

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

EARLY SERVICE — 8:00 A.M.

ELDERS:

Cecil Rice — Robert Rayl

DEACONS:

Captain, J. Carl Smith, S-4661
Herbert C. Banet
Charles Ludwig
Herdis Helmuth
Louis M. Culbertson
Laurence Coleman
F. Marion Coburn
James J. Cain
Killiam E. Bennett
Kenneth L. Edwards
William J. Conrad
Solon E. Merriman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Garland Morrolf
Edwin Allen
William Franklin
Orville Moody
Cecil Beck

HOSPITALITY: for March —

Mrs. Irene Cline, Chairman

DEACONESS:

Mrs. Romane H. Cole
Mrs. A. J. Young

LATE SERVICE — 10:30 A.M.

ELDERS:

Grayston Cripe — Rolland Ripple

DEACONS:

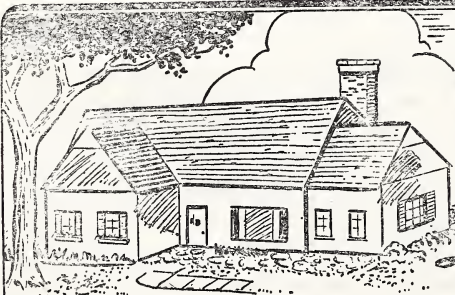
Captain, Harold Adison, H-79715
Frank M. Moody
C. Bueford Tharp
LeRoy Timbrook
Gorden Welker
Jack B. Brickley
Albert J. Powell
John F. Hechler
Howard J. Howell
Robert Hendricks
Phillip Uhl

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Malcolm Stroad
Wayne E. Newton
Carl Nickerson
Stephen Blaising

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The triumphal procession of Christ is still going on, across continents and centuries; and it will continue, growing brighter, larger, more enthusiastic, till he enters the new Jerusalem as "King of Kings and Lord of Lords".



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'58 CLASS

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(continued from last week)

(7) Read religious, papers and periodicals to condition your thought processes with faith attitudes. This will train your mind to accept and hold faith.

(8) When any problem arises, think about it, talk about and act concerning on the basis of faith. Emphasize the positive, eliminate the negative.

(9) Remember always your faith must rest be in God and Christ. The faith you seek to develop is religious faith.

(10) Keep your life clean, kindly, optimistic and above all, dedicated to God.

—Norman Vincent Peale

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Church School Attendance	367
Regular Church Offering	979.51
Building Fund Offering	235.55
Church School	103.85

TOTAL \$1318.91

GOOD FRIDAY IN MY HEART

Good Friday in my heart! Fear and
affright!
My thoughts are the disciples when they
fled,
My words the words that priest and soldier
said,
My deed the spear to desecrate the dead
And day, thy death therein, in changed to
night.
Then Easter in my heart sends up the sun
My thoughts are Mary, when she turned
to see,
My words are Peter, answering, "Lov's
thou me?"
My deeds are all thine own drawn close
to thee,
And night and day, since thou dost rise
are one.

—Mary Elizabeth Coleridge

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COME DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

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7:30 P.M. at which time they hope to clear
the Nursery and their Class room. All
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AMONG THE SICK

Chester Follis, known to many of our
members, is quite ill after suffering a
heart attack last week-end. Mr. Follis's
sister, Mrs. Clarence Busch is one of our
members.

Mr. Arthur Richardson is a patient in
Room 419, Parkview Hospital.

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Men's Prayer Group will meet next Sa-
turday, March 14, at 8:00 A.M. for break-
fast and worship.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CWF Executive meeting will be held
Tuesday, March 17 at 1:15 P.M. in the
Church Chapel. The General meeting will
be at 2:00 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Wel-
ship will be given by the Dye Circle.
Mrs. H. G. Helmuth will give a Book re-
view. Higdon Circle is in charge of ho-
pitality, refreshments will be served by
the Montgomery Circle. We urge all the
women in the Church to attend these
interesting meetings.

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C.W.F. SACRIFICIAL SERVICE

Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 P.M.
Fellowship Hall

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Dear Christian Friends:

This coming Sunday is Palm Sunday and a busy world will pause to recall the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem. One day the crowd was to hail Him as the Messiah of God, and short days later to clamor for His crucifixion. Our world is still hailing Him as the Son of God, and rejecting His aims and desires. At the morning worship services I shall preach on the theme: "UNDERSTANDING THE CRUCIFIXION". What led the priests of God and the people to demand the death of Jesus? Why? Oh, why? What part do you personally play in Calvary?

Sunday's schedule: 8:00 A.M. WORSHIP (CHAPEL CHOIR)
9:15 A.M. Bible School
10:30 A.M. WORSHIP (SANCTUARY CHOIR)
5:30 P.M. "THE CRUCIFIXION" by the Choirs.

The evening vesper service will be the thrilling presentation of "The Crucifixion", by our choirs. Mr. Wetzel and the wonderful talent of our choir have spent long, hard hours in preparation, let us find it in our hearts to bring the family and friends to this moving presentation.

6:30 P.M. SNACK TIME

Thus will end the School for Christian Living for this winter. How our hearts go out to all of you who have made this winter's fellowship possible! There is not space here to thank the families who shared in every way possible to make the evening services rich and rewarding. Thank you, every one, and God bless you for it.

On Tuesday, March 24th, at 7:00 P.M. sharp we shall meet in our regular monthly program of visitation evangelism. All who have shared in these experiences are urged to attend and help to bear witness to our Church fellowship prior to Easter. Perhaps you can lead someone to Christ that otherwise may go on living in isolation from the fellowship of the Church. Help us, won't you?

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, March 15

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	.72
Nursery Department	28	1.84
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	17	1.43
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	46	6.27
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	38	5.52
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	10	2.65
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	24	3.74
Mr. Chas. Billiard John Johnston		
The "58" Class	19	8.65
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	46	27.00
Dr. Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney James H. Naile John Jefferies Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	20	10.35
Progressive Class	37	16.88
Mr. Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Delmas Young Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	17	4.20
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	6.00
TOTALS	334	\$96.50

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The annual SACRIFICIAL SERVICE sponsored by the Christian Women's Fellowship will begin PROMPTLY at 6:30 P.M. in the Sanctuary of the Church, Tuesday evening, March 24. Following the short service of preparation, we will assemble in Fellowship Hall for the Passover Feast. All women of the Church are invited to this very inspirational Holy Week Service.

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COFFEE HOUR — sponsored by the United Church Women of Fort Wayne, will be held at Memorial Baptist Church, North Anthony Blvd., Wednesday, April 1, at 9:30 A.M.

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"THE CRUCIFIXION," by Stainer

Our Choirs will present the beautiful and inspiring oratorio, "The Crucifixion" on this Sunday evening at 5:30 in the Church Sanctuary. F. Wayne Brown, tenor and J. Carlton Smith, Baritone, are the featured soloists. Mrs. Robert Scott will be at the organ and William Wetzel will direct.

We urge our members and their friends to attend this musical service. Following the Musical we will adjourn to Fellowship Hall for an hour of fellowship and refreshment. All are invited.

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DUZ you just DREFT along the TIDE of unconcern? VEL, now is the time to CHEER up, if you want real JOY! Why The TREND is for all the family to BREEZE right into Bible Classes next Sunday with ZEST. So please hear our SOS and don't let us have to DIAL you this week, DAS right to church, WHISK to your room and let's all pull together like a 20 MUL TEAM. Good LUX.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School CYF will meet at the usual hour next Sunday evening, in the Youth Room for study and worship. They will join in Fellowship Hall at 6:45 P.M.

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Again and again I have been tempted to give up the struggle, but always the figure of that strange man hanging upon the cross sends me back to my task again.

—George Tyrrell

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY APRIL 5

8 Months to go! We need \$2700 per month to meet our present indebtedness. Your Church needs your support.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 1959

EARLY SERVICE — 8:00 A.M.

ELDERS:

Maxwell P. Smith — William H. Crouse

DEACONS:

Captain — M. B. Sweeney, K-4898

Paul E. Yentes

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

William Caldwell

Edwin Hall

Elmer Darwachter

James H. Naile

Cliff K. Travis

Robert Ogles

Robert Perkins

Marvin McCarty

SSOCIATE DEACONS:

Elliott Bragg

Teddy Bryan

William Vunora

Walter Keebortz

John Jefferies

OSPITALITY: for March

Mrs. Irene Cline, Chairman

EACONESSSES:

Mrs. Romane H. Cole

Mrs. A. J. Young

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"If bitterness has crept into the heart in the friction of the busy day's unguarded moments, be sure it steals away with the setting sun. Twilight is God's interval for peacemaking."

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OUTH DIRECTOR — ONE DOLLAR CLUB

There have been twenty families who have indicated their willingness to become members of the \$ Club. Our need is 50 families. We feel sure there are many more who will want to become members of this Club. Please call the office or drop a note in the Offering plate on Sunday morning if you wish your name added to this list.

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"My Kingdom is not of this world" — Jesus.

LATE SERVICE — 10:30 A.M.

ELDERS:

J. E. Weicker — Eural G. Rose

DEACONS:

Captain — Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Clarence Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

George Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

J. Fred Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

A. E. Huddleston

Leland Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

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"I think about God,

Yet I talk of small matters.

Isn't it odd,

How my idle tongue chatters?

Of quarrelsome neighbors,

Fine weather and rain,

Indifferent labors,

Indifferent pain,

Some trivial style,

Fashion shifts with a nod . . .

And yet all the while

I am thinking of God."

—Gamaliel Bradford

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EASTER LILIES for EASTER SUNDAY!

Plan to loan your Easter lilies to your church Easter Sunday morning. Instruct your florist to deliver them on Saturday. You may take them, following the 10:30 service on Sunday. We shall appreciate your cooperation in helping beautify the Chancel for Easter.

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The triumphal procession of Christ is still going on, across continents and centuries; and it will continue, growing brighter, larger, more enthusiastic, till he enters the new Jerusalem as "King of Kings and Lord of Lords".

APRIL 5, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
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10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.

(The Nursery is maintained during both
Worship Services and Church School, for
Children: Infants and children through
5 Years.)

10:30 A.M.
Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.
Junior Church.

6:30 P.M. Snack Time.

5:30 P.M. The Sanctuary Choir will bring
a message in song. They will sing "The
Crucifixion" by Stainer

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	381
Church School Attendance	334
Regular Church Offering	778.66
Building Fund Offering	205.80
Church School	96.50

TOTAL \$1081.06

AMONG OUR SICK

Too many of our folk have been ill for
a short time from the "Flu bug" which has
been striking so freely, to name them all.
Where you know of such illness remember
them with a card or phone call.

Mrs. Jack Brickley is now at home after
being in the hospital for a few days
last week.

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STORK NEWS

A little daughter was born to Mr. and
Mrs. Harold Donelson last week. Con-
gratulations!

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GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

Services from 12 Noon to 3 P.M. will
be held on Good Friday. The theme, "The
Seven Last Words". Mr. Wascovich will
speak on the "First Word" and the "Last
Word". We urge our people to attend
these services next Friday.

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A MEDITATION

Here is a King who was born in a stable,
cradled in a manger, and trained in a
despised village called Nazareth. He wore
no imposing regalia, no royal apparel, and
displayed none of the earthly trappings of
royalty. His courtiers were fishermen and
his throne a cross. He was without a
palace, was often without food, and some-
times a fugitive. Yet today his name is
the most widely known and fondly loved
on earth.

—Author Unknown

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DRINK YE ALL OF IT

Drink ye all of it, not just a sup —
Drink my faith, my love, said Jesus,
Drink the fullness of my cup.

Drink ye all of it, all, not just my peace —
Drink my dangerous living, dying —
Drink my fearless, glad remorse.

Drink ye all of it, all, not just the sweet —
Drink my bitter tears of anguish —
Drink the dregs of my defeat.

Drink ye all of it, all, not just my pain —
Drink my joy of life abundant —
Drink my triumph, drink my reign!

—E. Dent Lackey

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This season for our **School for Christian
Living** will end with the Choirs singin
the Oratorio "The Crucifixion" next Sun-
day evening.



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 17 Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 26, 1959 Number 26

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Hasn't the beautiful weather of this week been in a real way a symbol of the joy and peace we all feel as we approach Easter. In some indefinable way our spirits lift and our hearts grow quiet under the quickening spell of the infinite love of God. In Sunday's sermon we said that man refuses to live under the admission that his self-esteem and his ego are at the heart of all his problems. We said that man prefers to live in a world of illusion and pretension, constantly distorting the meaning of his struggles, and of this spirit comes all the excuses for not doing the will of the Father. As we talked of the terrible contradiction between our idealism and our actual performance, and our refusal to face it for what it is, we concluded that the meaning of victory or defeat depended upon our understanding of life's purposes. Calvary would remind us that the measurement of success or failure is ultimately beyond history.

Easter assures us that the victory is given by God to those who in love live for Him. This Easter you too can find an immeasurable power and peace if you will let go of the standards of the world and let God have his wonderful way in your inner life.

Have you prepared your "THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER" love offering? Judas betrayed Jesus for thirty pieces of silver, will you not make your "Thirty pieces of silver" love offering in contrast to that of Judas? Bring the love offering to the worship services and place them in the offering plates as your missionary offering.

Sunday's sermon will complete the series on understanding the great themes of our faith. The sermon topic will be: "Understanding the Resurrection". Jacques Maritain has written: "True civilization knows the price of human life but makes the imperishable life of man its transcendent supreme value. It does not fear death, it confronts death, accepts its risk . . . welcomes death when death, as pioneers and free men see it, is the accomplishment of the dignity of the human person and a beginning of eternity."

* Two Worship Services:

8:00 — 9:00 Early Worship
9:15 — 10:15 Bible School
10:30 — 11:45 Regular Worship Service
(* Last of Early Worship Series)

STORK NEWS

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oakley G. Baugher at Lutheran Hospital, March 19. We wish to congratulate these fine parents.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Harold Redman has been a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 458.

Dr. Darwin Weikel and son Scotty, were in an accident this past week while visiting in Florida. Mr. Weikel suffered a broken arm and Scotty is in the hospital in Florida with concussion and fractures.

Mrs. Ruth Staley is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 484.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Miss Mildred Hartman in the recent loss of her dear mother, Mrs. Mae Hartman. The funeral was held at Rockville last Friday.

Also, our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Charles Speicher and family in the recent loss of his father. Services were held in California.

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EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Young people will have an Easter Sunrise Breakfast at the Church next Sunday, at 6:15 A.M.

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EASTER PRAISE IN SONG

Our Chapel Choir will give the Anthem, "Hallelujah, Christ Is Risen" by Simper, at the Early Service. Miss Arlene Smell will sing "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" from "The Messiah" at Offertory.

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The Anthem "Hallelujah Chorus" from "Messiah" by G. F. Handel, will be given by the Sanctuary Choir at the 10:30 Worship Service.

The Offertory Solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" by Handel, will be sung by Mrs. J. E. Weicker. Mrs. Robert Scott at the organ, William Wetzel, Director.

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A REMINDER

Please get your EASTER LILIES to the Church this Saturday.

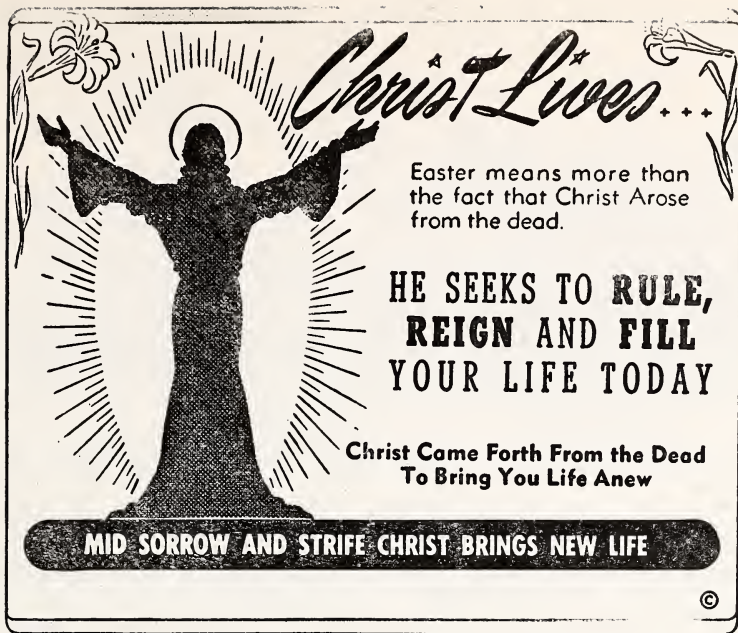
JUNIOR CHURCH

There will **not** be a Junior Church Service next Sunday. The children will sit with their families in the Sanctuary.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, March 22

	Att.	Of
Babies and Toddlers	11	1.1
Nursery Department	18	.9
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	19	1.6
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	47	5.6
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	46	5.3
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith		
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn		
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	13	1.6
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	29	4.7
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	28	11.9
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	34	20.6
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	20	11.1
Progressive Class	43	17.1
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	16	3.
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	13	4.
TOTALS	346	\$92.



Christ Lives

Easter means more than the fact that Christ Arose from the dead.

**HE SEEKS TO RULE,
REIGN AND FILL
YOUR LIFE TODAY**

Christ Came Forth From the Dead
To Bring You Life Anew

MID SORROW AND STRIFE CHRIST BRINGS NEW LIFE

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 1959

EARLY SERVICE — 8 A.M.

ELDERS:

John S. Craig — Carter D. Palmer

DEACONS:

Captain — Harold Addison, H-79715
 Frank M. Moody
 Paul D. Truby
 C. Bueford Tharp
 LeRoy Timbrook
 Gordon Welker
 Jack B. Brickley
 Albert J. Powell
 John F. Hechler
 Howard J. Howell
 Robert Hendricks
 Phillip Uhl

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Malcolm Stroad
 Wayne E. Newton
 Omer Guingrich
 Carl Nickerson
 Stephen Blaising

HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Irene Cline, Chrmn.

DEACONESSSES:

Mrs. Romane H. Cole
 Mrs. A. J. Young

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EASTER WILL CONCLUDE THE EARLY
 8 O'clock Service.

LATE SERVICE — 10:30 A.M.

ELDERS:

William Love — David Hogg

DEACONS:

Captain — Carl Smith, S-4661
 Herbert C. Banet
 Charles Ludwig
 Herdis Helmuth
 Louis M. Culbertson
 Laurence Coleman
 F. Marion Coburn
 James J. Cain
 William E. Bennett
 Kenneth L. Edwards
 William J. Conrad
 Solon E. Merriman

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Garland Morroll
 Edwin Allen
 William Franklin
 Orville Moody
 Cecil Beck

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10:30 A.M.

Kindergarten Workshop.
Primary Workshop.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	471
Church School Attendance	346
Regular Church Offering	699.59
Building Fund Offering	130.70
Church School	92.64
30 Pieces of Silver	47.50

TOTAL \$970.43

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF are having a paper drive next week Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Please save your papers. For pick up call either H-75665, or E-35262.

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FRIDAY CYF NIGHT

The CYF will meet for fun and games in the church gym this Friday night. The Thunderbirds will play.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Ogles, 304 E. Maple Grove Tuesday, April 7, at 1 P.M. Program by Mrs. Lona Miller, Worship by Mrs. John Hoop.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. F. Marion Coburn, 6216 Kent Rd., Wednesday evening, April 1, at 8 P.M. Mrs. G. Helmuth will give a book review. Mr. H. W. Crowder will have worship.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Esther Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St., Thursday, April 2, 1959. Program by Mrs. Ernest Kattas, Worship by Mrs. Irene Cline.

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FRIENDLY BIBLE CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet Friday evening, April 3, at 8 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Lona Miller, 2422 Ardmore.

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GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

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THE YOUTH SERVICE, will be held at St. John's Evangelical & Reformed Church from 2:00 to 3:00 P.M. All youth are urged to attend.

THE CHILDREN'S SERVICE will be held in Plymouth Congregational Church at 2:00 P.M. It will be a pageant presented by the children "We Would See Jesus".

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The human creature needs first of all to be educated, not that he may speak but that he may have something to say.
—Thomas Carlyle



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Will the radiant glory that was ours at Easter vanish into memory leaving nothing left to chasten our desires, discipline our minds, consecrate our hearts? If Easter is true . . . what then? Shall we not face life and its decisions with calmness and grace, resting our lives and fortunes in the Hands of God? Does the fact of Easter force us to be better committed men and women?

Let us remember that this coming Sunday is the first Sunday in April, and that every first Sunday we hold a BUILDING FUND SUNDAY in the life of our Church. Much has been said through the church, but the offering is taken up through the Bible School, and many gifts and checks are received in the church offering. You have been doing a highly commendable job, and the church is indeed grateful. Let us remember that it takes a lot of effort to come up with \$2700 every month for the BUILDING FUND! Don't refuse to share in this effort because you think your gift will be too small, it won't; and don't for goodness sake refuse to help because you want to give a really large gift, even this will not be refused! Bless you for all of your efforts.

A fine Men's Prayer Breakfast was held on Saturday morning, and Mr. Weicker brought a very fine message. I'm sure that these seasons of devotion and prayer have proven helpful to every man (and his family) who attended.

The worship schedule will once more return to the following time basis:

9:10 — 10:15 The Bible School
10:30 — 11:45 The Church at Worship

During April and May this schedule will be followed and the time schedule will change over to the summer basis on the first Sunday in June.

Sunday's Sermon topic: "AND NOW, TO LIVE"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, March 29

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	10	1.05
Nursery Department	26	3.19
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Kindergarten	26	2.61
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	55	9.75
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	43	8.55
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
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Mr. J. E. Weicker		
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Berean	17	12.00
Progressive Class	40	27.62
Mr. Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Delmas Young Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	17	30.10
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
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A PRAYER OFTEN QUOTED BY GOV. THOMAS E. DEWEY OF NEW YORK

Lord—Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older, will so day by day be 'Old'. Keep me from being talkative — and PARTICULARLY from fatal habit of thinking that I must say something on EVERY subject — and, EVERY occasion!

Release me from craving to straighten out EVERYBODY'S affairs. Keep my mind FREE from the recital of ENDLESS 'tails' — O give me WINGS to get to the point!

I ask for Grace enough to listen to tales of OTHER'S pains. Help me ENDURE them with patience.

But Father—seal MY lips on my Own aches and pains—they ARE increasing and, my love of 'rehearsing' them comes sweeter as the years go by!

Teach me the GLORIOUS lesson OCCASIONALLY it IS possible that I may be 'Mistaken'!

Keep me at least REASONABLY sure I do NOT want to be a 'Saint' — SOME OF THEM are SO HARD to 'live with BUT a 'SOUR OLD WOMAN' is one of CROWNING Works OF the DEVIL!

Lord—make me thoughtful, but NOT 'Moody'; helpful, but NOT 'Bossy'! Vast my vast store of wisdom—it seems a FEW not to USE it ALL—and yet THOU knowest, Lord, that I DO want a FEW Friends —at the END! AMEN!

This prayer was originally written by a Mother Superior who wishes her name to remain anonymous, but is truly SWEET PRAYER and could well be used as a pattern for ALL OF US!

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The High School youth will meet at their regular time, 5:30, next Sunday evening in the Youth Room, for study and recreation.

The Chapel Choir meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 at the church for Choir rehearsal. All High School Youth are invited to come.

The District Youth Meet will be held at the Church of Christ, Kendallville, Sunday, April 19 at 2 p.m. Registration \$1.00 which includes the price of the evening meal.

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We who, from zone to zone,
Guide through the boundless sky
To certain flight,

In the long way that I must tread alone
Will lead my steps aright.

—William Cullen Bryant

Nothing Is A SPIRITUAL ADVENTURE

Your money is part of you. It represents you — your toil, your brain, your investment.

When you bring your tithe to God, you bring a part of yourself; you create a spiritual relationship with God. You embark upon a spiritual adventure

God cannot bless your money until you dedicate it to Him.

WE PAY TITHES

TO A LIVING CHRIST. ©



AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, APRIL 5

ELDERS: Maxwell P. Smith — Cecil Rice

DEACONS: for April —

Captain — M. B. Sweeney, K-4898
Paul Yentes
Arza Smith
Leon H. Johns
William Caldwell
Edwin Hall
Elmer Darwachter
James H. Naile
Cliff K. Travis
Robert Ogles
Robert Perkins

ASSOCIATES for April:

Elliott Lee Bragg
Teddy Bryan
William Vunora
Walter Keebortz
John J. Jefferies

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Hospitality: Mrs. William R. Love

Deaconess: Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad

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Our Lord has written the promise of the Resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.

—Martin Luther

AMONG OUR SICK

Little Thomas Banet has been ill in Lutheran Hospital.

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STORK NEWS

Michelle Lynn came to live with Mr. and Mrs. James Bard, March 25. We wish to congratulate her parents.

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'58 CLASS

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APPRECIATION

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Church School Attendance	383
Regular Church Offering	1210.36
Building Fund Offering	200.05
Church School — Easter	266.08
30 Pieces of Silver	430.56

TOTAL \$2107.05

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

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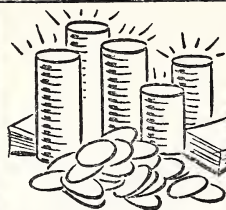
Sunday was another great day in the life of our congregation. The attendance was good and the offering was better than usual. It is a wonderful feeling to watch this great congregation rise to meet the needs of its program without prodding or pleading. How grateful the leadership of this church is that its members as a whole respond to the love of God in Christ, and does not necessitate a lot of cheap means of raising funds. God bless you for doing your best!

Remember men, MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, this Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. If you haven't been to these prayer breakfasts men, now is the time to begin. Bring a friend and be at the Breakfast at 8:00 A.M. Saturday morning.

Have you noticed the smiles on the faces of our High School Young People? Well, I am sure some of the smiles comes from the wonderful evenings they are having on Fridays at their evening of recreation, and on Sunday evenings at their study and worship. All young people of high school age are urged to attend these Friday evening recreation sessions beginning at 8:00 P.M. They are urged to attend the deeper side of their program on Sunday evenings, the program beginning at 5:30 P.M. At the Sunday evening affair the young people have a covered dish snack hour, and each one attending is urged to bring along something to eat. Jim and Helen Shockney are doing a wonderful job with our youth, and parents, urge your own High School youths to attend!

The Berean Class, composed of any adult that desires to attend, is beginning a study of the BOOK OF ACTS, and is to be taught by the minister. If you are not now attending a Bible Study group, you are invited to attend the Berean Class, and study the Book of Acts.

Two classes to be projected if and when the interest is adequate are: a MORNING Bible Class, and an EVENING HOUR BIBLE CLASS. If we can find at least ten people interested in studying the Bible for an hour at some morning of the week, or at some week night hour, the minister will gladly teach a course on the Bible. If you would be interested in one of these projected classes please notify the church office. They would run for 13 weeks.



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CHRIST GAVE HIS LIFE FOR YOU

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AMONG OUR SICK

Little Sue Ann Sweeney underwent a tonsillectomy Tuesday morning of this week at Lutheran Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deep sympathy to Mrs. Bruce Stone in the recent loss of her mother.

Also, our heartfelt sympathy goes to Mrs. Ethel Allen in the loss of her father. We pray God will comfort and sustain these folk in their hour of sorrow.

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ONE DOLLAR CLUB

We still need additional members to the \$ Club.

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APRIL'S COMING

leak was earth for many a day;
Snows of tempest whirled and whirled;
ow the flowers are on the way;
April's coming down the world
y went by with broken wing,
All the leaves were dead and curled:
ow the dreams begin to sing:
April's coming down the world!
nd when golden days depart,
And the earth is winter-furled,
till if love is in the heart,
April's coming down the world!

—Edwin Markham

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Count that day lost whose low descending
sun
views from thy hand no worthy action
done.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, April 5

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	10	1.00
Nursery Department	22	2.27
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	2.35
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	43	5.00
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	39	6.78
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith		
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn		
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	13	2.55
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	22	2.10
Mr. Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	14	6.00
Mr. J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	35	25.75
Dr. Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	21	11.50
Progressive Class	41	19.00
Mr. Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	15	6.65
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Regular Church Offering	1090.00
Building Fund Offering	408.61
Church School	106.95
30 Pieces of Silver	61.14

TOTAL \$1666.70

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers for this Sunday are given by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Morrice in honor of their daughter, Ann's, birthday

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DENVER CONVENTION A FAMILY AFFAIR

Plan your vacation so that you and your family may attend the 1959 International Convention Assembly of Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) Aug 28-Sept. 2, in Denver, Colo. Let the whole family participate this year. You may register in the church office for \$4.00 per adult or \$2.00 per student. Efficient child care up through Chi Rho age will be available for 75c per child per session plus a charge for meals. Register now

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BLESSING OF BABIES

We are planning to have our semi-annual service for Blessing of our Babies on Mother's Day which is May 10. What better time to dedicate our parents?

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There is a destiny that makes us brother
None goes his way alone:
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own.
I care not what his temples or his creed
One thing holds firm and fast—
That into his fateful heap of days are
deeds
The soul of a man is cast.

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Three things must a man possess if his
soul would live,
And know life's perfect good—
Three things would the all-supplying
Father give—
Bread, Beauty, and Brotherhood.
—Edwin Markham

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF will be held Sunday evening April 12, at the Church. Program will include a forum on "Problems of Senior Citizens with showing of the movie, "Still Going Places". All men in the church are cordially invited.

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Dear Friends:

At the present it would appear that the BIBLE STUDY GROUP contemplated for the evening session is the one with the most manifested interest. Therefore unless more interest is developed for the morning study group, we will offer only the evening study group. It will meet for one hour either on Monday or Tuesday evenings. Those who have a definite preference please signify your preference to the church office. We shall meet on the evening most convenient to all concerned.

Let us remember the INDIANA STATE CONVENTION to be held MAY 17, 18, 19 in Vincennes, Indiana. The theme: "THE CHURCH — A CREATIVE FELLOWSHIP". The president, Frank E. Davison. The registration fee is \$1.00 and our church is urged to register at least 40 people, whether they attend or not. So let's get our registrations in for the state convention, and let us hope that many will plan to attend.

It was thrilling to see the sanctuary crowded to overflowing Sunday. What a thrill it always is to have a large crowd of eager worshippers and a great choir, joining in meaningful worship. In my visitations this week an outstanding couple said to me: "You have the finest choir we have ever heard in any church!" They said the Easter singing of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" was the finest they have ever heard. We think so too!

The first Sunday in May will see the Male Chorus singing for the morning worship service. All of the men who would like to be a part of the Men's Chorus are urged to attend rehearsals on Thursday evenings at 7 P.M. to 8 P.M.

Sunday's Sermon: "PATHWAYS TO INNER PEACE"



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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive meeting will be held in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M. Tuesday, April 2. The General meeting will be at 8 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Worship, Higdon Circle; Mrs. E. G. Rose will bring a historical sketch and pictures of Hazen Green Academy, Mrs. Wm. Caldwell will assist. The Program, "Religion in The Schools" will be brought by Mrs. Kenner Waldrop from Associated Churches of Fayetteville. Refreshments will be served by Fellowship Guild; Hospitality, Montgomery Circle.

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CWF RUMMAGE SALE

April 24-25 — 2028 S. Hanna St.

All church members and friends are asked to bring rummage either to the church or to the room on Thursday evening, April 23, between 6 and 9 P.M.

Mrs. Ernest Kattas, Chrmn.

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DR. DYE CIRCLE LUNCHEON

The Dye Circle is having a guest luncheon Monday, April 20 at 12:30 at the Church. Each member to bring at least one guest. Program will be a Travelogue given by Mrs. C. C. Coverdale. The luncheon is in lieu of regular April meeting.



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Men's Class	15	6.55
TOTALS	373	\$103.07

AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Emily Lowman fell recently and broke her pelvis. She has been in Room 419, Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Cecil Rice has been in St. Joseph's Hospital for surgery. Room 409.

Mr. Harold Reynolds is in Parkview Hospital having undergone surgery last Monday. He is in Room 324.

Mrs. Kenneth Lytle entered Parkview Hospital Monday for surgery. Room 341.

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IN SYMPATHY

Word has come that Mrs. C. W. Winfield has recently lost two sisters. One passed away April 2, and the other on April 10. We pray Mrs. Winfield and her family will be comforted and sustained during these days of sorrow.

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STATE CONVENTION — VINCENNES

Our quota of registrations for this year for the Convention to be held in Vincennes, May 17-19, is 50. Whether you plan to go or not, we hope you will register. Fee \$1.00. Mr. Wm. R. Love is serving as Registrar for this Church. See him! Help us meet our quota! Convention Theme, "The Church — A Creative Fellowship"

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STORK NEWS

A new member of the family a young son, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kintzel, at Lutheran Hospital, April 11th.

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BLESSING OF BABIES

Our Service for Blessing the Babies will be held on Sunday, May 10, at the Morning Worship Service. Please call the Church office if you wish to bring your child.

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We live in a world in which the vast majority of our fellow men eat too little, live too wretchedly, and die too young.

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WANTED — CLOTHES HANGERS!!

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On Sunday evening it was my privilege to go with our C.Y.F. group to the district meeting at Kendallville. We had 16 of our youth present, and John Johnston was elected the president of the district youth fellowship. Our congratulations to our C.Y.F. group, and to John on this honor.

Monday evening I spoke at the Independence Christian Church near Marion to the County Youth Rally. There were more than 100 of their youth present. It does a sole preacher's heart good to see our church's young people measuring up to the possibilities of this present age.

Don't forget, all parents of Chi Rho young people (Chi Rho ages 11-14) we have a meeting with you at 4:30 P.M. this Sunday afternoon. We want to learn ways of helping OUR children. We need your help in this task. The meeting will not last more than an hour. Promise!

MEN! REMEMBER . . . the MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. We hope more of our men will join in this meaningful experience. Food for the body . . . mind . . . and soul.

Sunday's Sermon: "A SNEER IS NO ANSWER"

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP APRIL 30

May Fellowship Day, sponsored by the Fort Wayne Council of United Church Women, will be held April 30, 12:15 P.M. at Forest Park Methodist Church.

The theme for this May Fellowship Day Program is, "How Much is Enough?" The speaker will be Rev. Paul Sago and special music by Mrs. Robert Altevogt.

Luncheon is 85c. Reservations to be made with Mrs. Wm. Caldwell by April 26th.

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NEW CWF MORNING CIRCLE

The new Circle will hold its organizational meeting on May 6, at the home of Mrs. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird Ave. at 9:00 A.M. Women interested in a Morning Circle are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Mrs. E. N. Schlatter, 926 Lake Ave., Friday evening, May 1st. The Class will hold a Silent Auction.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Warfield Everett is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 357.

Mrs. Richard Baker is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 409.

Mrs. Maud Miller is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 471.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson, Anderson, are the proud parents of a baby girl born April 15. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouse are the proud grandparents. Congratulations!

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A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Smith at Lutheran Hospital, April 18. Mr. and Mrs. Arza Smith are the proud grandparents of little Miss Smith. Congratulations! . . .

Nothing is



God's

PROGRAM

- ✓ For Developing His People
- ✓ For Financing His Church
- ✓ For Teaching Dependence on God

BRING YE ALL THE TITHES

INTO THE STOREHOUSE

MAL. 3:10

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

ELDERS: Robert Rayl — Harold Crowder

ELDERS: John S. Craig — Floyd E. Morrical

DEACONS: for April —

Captain — M. B. Sweeney, K-4898

Paul Yentes

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

William Caldwell

Edwin Hall

Elmer Darwacher

James H. Naile

Cliff K. Travis

Robert Ogles

Robert Perkins

ASSOCIATES for April:

Elliott Lee Bragg

Teddy Bryan

William Vunora

Walter Keebortz

John J. Jefferies

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Hospitality: Mrs. William R. Love

Deaconess: Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad



MAY 3, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

INSYMPATHY

We were indeed grieved to learn of the recent death of John McFarland, who until a few months ago, was an Officer of the Church, serving loyally as a Deacon. Our sympathy is expressed to Mrs. McFarland, Miss Janet and Miss Peggy. May God sustain and comfort them in their sorrow.

BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The new Bible Study Class will hold its first meeting on Tuesday evening, April 1st at 7:00 P.M. at the church. Text books will be available at that time. Rev. Mr. Masovich will teach this Class.

Among those who have indicated an interest are: Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Kling-irrn, Mrs. J. R. Shockney, Mrs. Victor Erling, Miss Ruth Yost, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, Mrs. Owen Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roth. Any others interested are cordially invited to join this Class 7 o'clock sharp!

WANTED — CLOTHES HANGERS!!

The Sanctuary Choir wishes to raise funds to improve its practice room. We are trying to get enough money to build a riser for the practice area so that our practices will be more easily carried out. We are asking our members and friends to bring wire hangers to the church so that the choir members can sell them to raise funds for this project. There will be a box placed in the Fellowship Hall in which you can deposit your wire hangers. We will appreciate your cooperation and hope you will help us out. Thank you.

Choir Committee.

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EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT — 8 to 11 — YOUTH RECREATION!

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop is under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bronson during April.

THE HOLY BIBLE

Of one thing I am convinced, do what I will, oppose it as we may, it is the Christian Bible that will sooner or later work out the regeneration of our land.

—The Maharajah of Travancore.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, April 19

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	15	.84
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Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
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Primary Department	50	5.54
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	46	6.96
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Junior High Department	15	3.18
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	24	2.69
Chas. Billiard John Johnston		
The "58" Class	28	13.15
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	40	24.46
Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney James H. Naile John Jefferies Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	16	8.25
Progressive Class	35	14.95
Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Delmas Young Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Truby		
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Junior Church.

5:30 C.Y.F.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	398
Church School Attendance	363
Regular Church Offering	635.87
Building Fund Offering	109.70
Church School	95.52

TOTAL \$811.09

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STATE CONVENTION — VINCENNES

Our quota of registrations for this year for the Convention to be held in Vincennes, May 17-19, is 50. Whether you plan to go or not, we hope you will register. Fee \$1.00. Mr. Wm. R. Love is serving as Registrar for this Church. See him! Help us meet our quota! Convention Theme, "The Church — A Creative Fellowship"

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BLESSING OF BABIES

Our Service for Blessing the Babies will be held on Sunday, May 10, at the Morning Worship Service. Please call the Church office if you wish to bring your child.

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23rd PSALM JAPANESE VERSION

GOD is my father, I shall have no need
He lets me rest under the blossoming
cherry tree. He takes me up to the re-
freshing waterfall. He quiets my heart.
He leads me along the path of well-doing
for Christ's sake. Though I face death
I will not be frightened. For I will place
my hand in His and He will lead me
when I cannot see. He will give me rice
and tea as I need it. My cup is filled by
His love. His love and peace will surround
me until life's sunset; then I shall dwell
with Him evermore.

—Tad O. Wood, Roanoke, Va.

—Vera Helferich, Traverse City, Mich.

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY MAY 3

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Volume 17

Fort Wayne, Indiana, April 30, 1959

Number 31

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

The class on "GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE" got off to a very fine start on Tuesday evening despite unfavorable weather. If you are interested in "getting to know the Bible" why not join with us in this one hour per week Bible Study Group?

We were happy to have Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Musselman added to our growing fellowship in Christ. As they help us to extend the witness of Christ to our city and our world, it is our prayer that they shall find within our fellowship an avenue of service on behalf of Christ.

Sunday evening our church shall be host to the recent group of men and women who have become citizens of our great land. The Central Lions' Club sponsors the reception for all new citizens in the Fort Wayne area. Our ladies will serve light refreshments, and the minister will bring the message of the evening.

A special word of the new Bible School class for the young unmarried adults (18-25) which begins Sunday morning. Mr. Carl Smith will be the teacher. We hope that all who are eligible will attend and help get the class off to a good start.

Sunday morning I shall preach on the subject: "THE ULTIMATE QUESTION OF GOD". As God and man are linked together through Christ, and as every man will render unto God an account of the stewardship of his life, how thoughtful we ought to be on the matters of the Spirit. Do you ever wonder what it shall be like to stand in His presence? Do you ever wonder what God must think of our shabby commitments, our frayed loyalties, and our weak excuses? Here is the question Jesus put to Peter, "lovest thou Me more than these?" (More than the things of the earth, that is!) What is the love of God led you to do for others, and on behalf of the Kingdom of God?

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, MAY 3

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DEACONS for May —
Captain — Donald C. Smith, K-9939
Ben G. Taylor
Homer H. Stevenson
Delmas Young
Clarence Hendrickson
Melvin Evans
George R. Bruckman
A. Jefferson Young
Carl D. Linn
Olos G. Fox
J. Frederic Smell
Charles Billiard

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GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE!

The new Bible Study Class met Tuesday evening to organize with a fine group present. This Class is open to all who wish to attend. The time of meeting is 7 to 8 P.M. The day of the week will be posted in next issue of Tidings. The Nursery will be open and an attendant present.

'Take it from me: the church offers you something you just cannot get elsewhere.

COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class will have a "Indoor, Outdoor" party, Saturday evening May 9, from 8 to 10:30 P.M. at the home of Stanley and Martha Cole, 7439 U.S. 2. The women are requested to wear low heeled shoes.

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop will be under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Bryant during May.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

The Vacation Church School will be held in June, (exact dates will be posted soon). Mrs. Wm. R. Love, Mrs. F. Marie Coburn, Mrs. Robert Rayl will head the Departments. Mrs. Owen Vaught will assist in organizing the School.

STATE CONVENTION — VINCENNES, May 17-19

Mr. Wm. R. Love is registrar for the church. Have you seen him and registered for the Convention? Or, for your convenience you can register at the Church office. Fee is \$1.00. They need your dollar whether or not you plan to attend. The fee takes care of Convention expenses such as, printing, publicity and top guest speakers. Please see Mr. Love, NOW!

NOTES

You will want to see the beautiful painting which was presented to the Church in memory of Mrs. Edith Stevens who for a number of years was a faithful member of this church. The painting hangs above the fireplace in the Church Parlor and was painted by the nationally known Hoosier artist, Louis W. Bonsib. Mr. Bonsib makes him home in Fort Wayne.

A NEW CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS

A new Class is being organized for young unmarried adults (18-25). They will meet Sunday, May 3 at the regular Bible School hour, 9:30 to 10:20 in the north Choir loft. J. Carl Smith is the teacher. All young people of the Church and their friends are cordially invited to attend this class.

Deeper giving means deeper living!



MAY 3, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. D. Clyde Fox is a patient in Room 14, Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. C. R. McMaken is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 596.

WHAT DOES GOD SAY

about MONEY?

HE KEPT PART

In the creation, God reserved a portion for Himself.

GEN. 2:16-17

HE ASKS PART

On Mt. Sinai, He commanded that His people tithe.

LEV. 27:30, 32

FOR HIS HOUSE

He demands that the tithe be brought to His House.

JESUS AGREED

MAL. 3:10

Jesus spoke of possessions and our relationship to them in 19 of the 26 parables. He endorsed the tithe.

MATT. 23:23

TITHING IS GOD'S DIVINE PLAN

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Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	26	1.84
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	50	5.36
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	42	5.50
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith		
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn		
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	18	2.81
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	17	1.76
Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	28	13.15
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	44	22.95
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	17	8.21
Progressive Class	35	17.60
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	20	4.21
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	16	7.00
TOTALS	364	\$95.52

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April 26

Church Worship Attendance 427
Church School Attendance 364
Regular Church Offering 731.16
Building Fund Offering 189.40
Church School 95.52

TOTAL \$1016.08

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. O. C. Schell, 3020 S. Lafayette St., Wednesday May 6, at 1:30 P.M. Program, Mrs. Muri Wilson, Worship, Mrs. W. H. Imbody.

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New Morning Circle will meet with Mr. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird Ave., at 8 A.M. Wednesday, May 6. This will be an organization meeting and all women interested in meeting in the morning are cordially invited to come.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Ethel Richhart, 2714 Maumee Ave. Thursday evening, May 7, at 7:45 P.M. Worship by Mrs. C. E. Fuchshuber, Program by Mrs. Roy Beal

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. L. H. Higgins, 213 W. Fleming Ave., Tuesday afternoon, May 5, at 1:30 P.M. The Group will hold a Silent Auction.

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The McGavran Circle are in charge several dinners during May. Due to the fact, they will not have a May Circle meeting.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mr. Ben Taylor, 1616 Hollis Lane, Wednesday evening, May 6.

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EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT — 8 to 11 — YOUTH RECREATION!

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The only apologetic for Jesus' teaching that I find in any way reasonable is that one which Jesus Himself propounded. His way of life is not to be followed merely because He recommended it, or because He was virgin-born, or was a part of the Godhead, or could work miracles, or for any other reason than that experience will prove that it is the good way, none better, if one have but the understanding and tenacity of purpose to cleave to it.

—Albert Jay Nock

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It is love that gives value to every other gift: love is the currency of faith in truth, the instrument of the Christian business.



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Number 32

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

We are having mid-summer temperatures, at the present, and it should bring a profusion of lovely flowers. During the cold, rough winter many said to themselves, "It's too bad out today, when the weather breaks, or when it's warmer, I'll make it out to church." Well now that the weather is warmer, and the city a mass of green lawns, and budding flowers, let's keep our winter vows and get out to worship this coming Sunday morning.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. Oh, yes I know about how lovely it would be to go golfing, but why not wait until after the prayer breakfast. Most men that I know could stand a little praying over their golf game . . . tips to keep down the score, temper, "cheating", etc. Jimmy Dykes, on assuming the leadership of the Detroit Tigers said, "all we need is the Lord and a pitcher". Well, my golfing friends need is the Lord and a golfer along with them!

CHI RHO fellowship meets this Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M. A wonderful time is in store for all who attend.

WHAT HAPPENED? To the proposed new class in the Bible School, I mean? We sent out some thirty letters to prospective "young adults" (18-25), and not one showed up! That's a bad percentage! Let's try to improve that percentage this week! If my son or daughter were in this age group I'd turn heaven and earth upside down (their parents too, if necessary) to get them to Bible School and Church. Neglect them now, and regret it later? They can have a grand fellowship in this new group, so let's encourage their coming. Some of the parents called and told us their son or daughter would be here as soon as they return from school. This we deeply appreciate.

Sunday is **MOTHER'S DAY**. We will have the service of the "BLESSING OF THE BIBLES", and the minister will preach on the subject:

"The Mother Love of God!"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, MAY 10

ELDERS: Maxwell Smith — Wm. Crouse.

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Homer H. Stevenson
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GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE

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Most of all the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in all the wide world.

—Kate Douglas Wiggin

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MAY BREAKFAST — CWF

Mrs. Ralph Palmer, Missionary from Japan, on furlough, will be the guest speaker at the May Breakfast, May 19, annual event of Christian Women's Fellowship.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Chas. Ludwig, 2722 Glencairn, Tuesday evening, May 12, at 7:30 P.M. Co-hostess, Mrs. Clarence Hendrickson; Program by Mrs. Edwin Allen, Worship by Mrs. L. M. Culbertson.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Pearl Heidecker, 4001 Indiana Avenue, Monday evening, May 11, at 7:30 P.M. Program by Mrs. T. R. Eiler, Worship by Mrs. Wm. Conrad.

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CHI RHO'S

The Chi Rho's will meet at the church Sunday evening, May 10, at 5:30 P.M. This will be a period of study, worship, fun and fellowship. This is the first meeting of this age group. All 12 and 13 year olds are cordially invited to come. Mr. and Mrs. James Shockney, Counselors.

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The Primary Workshop will be under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Bryant during May.

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WANTED — More parents who take their children to Sunday School and Church instead of sending them.

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Families that pray together — stay together.

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JUNE 7, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY



Tested BY THEIR FRUITS

"By their fruits ye shall
know them." Matt. 8:20

The Fruits

Of a Loyal Christian Are
LOVE of God's people and His
Church.

SERVICE to Christ and to His
Church.

LIBERALITY in supporting His
Church and its pro-
gram.

To Christ

THE FIRST FRUITS

DEADLINE — MAY 12

May 12 is the deadline for pre-registra-
tions to the State Convention to be held
in Vincennes May 17-19. **William Love** is
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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. R. R. Ripple's mother, Mrs. Charles
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DISTRICT CWF LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

This is an All Day meeting and will be
held at West Creighton Christian Church
Wednesday, May 13, 9:30 to 3 P.M. We
need all our women who possibly can to
attend this Institute. Mrs. Vaught, Secre-
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May 3

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Church School Attendance	371
Regular Church Offering	1074.33
Building Fund Offering	419.51
Church School	110.83

TOTAL 1604.67

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NEW CLASS

The new Bible Class for young un-married adults (18-25) will meet in the North Choir loft Sunday, May 10 at 9:15. J. Carl Smith will teach the Class.

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Young people, make much of it while yet you have the most precious of a good gifts, a loving mother . . . In after life you may have friends, fond, dear kind friends; but never will you have again the inexpressible love and gentleness lavished upon you which none but mother bestows.

—Lord Macaulay

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No nation is better than the home life of its people.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

What a wonderful day it was in the life of First Christian Church this past Lord's day morning. The sanctuary was filled with eager, expectant worshippers, and the Baby Blessing service was sweet and lovely. Our best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Schnobel and their son, David Charles; Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wolf and their daughter, Barbara Gail; Mr. & Mrs. Maxwell Smith and their daughter, Laura Lynn; and to Mr. & Mrs. William Winans and their son, Ronald Lee.

We are happy to welcome into the fellowship of our people Mr. & Mrs. Robert I. Westerfield, 4039 Westlane Dr. We wish for them a truly happy relationship in this congregation.

A word of encouragement to all members is needed at this time of the year. As the days get warmer and we hear the call of the open road, or sense the lure of a lovely lake, we must remember that we are so very much poorer when we take a vacation from God. When planning a picnic or drive in the countryside, go to church first. Start the day with God in quiet meditation and prayer and you'll be richer and better for it. I'm certain that June - July - and August are the months that really test our loyalty to Christ and His Church. Let's make these months here at First Christian the rightest, happiest days of our Church year. Did you remember that last summer our attendance and offerings were higher than during any previous quarter in the year? It was a splendid moral and spiritual victory. We are hoping and praying that the same will be true again this summer.

This coming Sunday is PENTECOST in the life of the Church. Every Christian on earth should be reminded of the fact that the Church is celebrating the Birthday of the Church. This is one of the most important anniversaries on the calendars of men. It is our fervent prayer that EVERY MEMBER of the Church will make special effort to be present and give God thanks for the gift of the Church.

Across the nation the churches will quietly and without fanfare present Christian peoples with an opportunity to indicate their willingness to try tithing. Can't afford to? Read Malachi 4:12! Try and see!

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

The Church Secretary will be out of the office next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, attending the State Convention at Vincennes. For **emergencies please call** James R. Shockney, our Youth Director

Rev. Wascovich leaves immediately after service next Sunday for Vincennes and will also spend Wednesday and Thursday in St. Louis attending the National Planning Council meeting.

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HELP! HELP!

There will be a Work Party Saturday morning 7 to 9 on the Church grounds. Help is needed. Men, bring your rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and muscles.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

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YOUTH PARTY

Friday night, May 22nd, from 8 to 11
Fun and fellowship.

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CHI RHO'S

The ChiRho's will meet in the Church Gym Sunday evening at 5:30 for study, worship, fun and recreation.

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CHURCH VISITATION

Church Visitation is each Wednesday night at 7 P.M. Those who would like to make calls on prospects for membership, and members, please be at the church Wednesday at seven.

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GET TO KNOW THE BIBLE

The Class on Bible Study will not meet on Tuesday, May 19. The minister will be out of the city. However, it will meet the following Tuesday, May 26 for a longer period. 7 to 8:30 P.M.

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NEW CWF MORNING CIRCLE

The New morning Circle has taken the name of The Byron Spice Circle in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Spice. Our best wishes go out to this new Circle in CWF.

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Pentecost was preceded by penitence, piety, prayer and power.

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

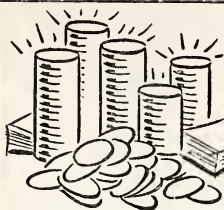
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Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	45	41
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	37	59
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Osborn Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse		
Junior High Department	14	23
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	14	17
Chas. Billiard John Johnston		
The "58" Class	28	127
J. E. Weicker		
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Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney James H. Naile John Jefferies Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
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Is the Strength He Gave You, the Soul He Created, Being Used to Honor Him?

CHRIST GAVE HIS LIFE FOR YOU

ARE YOU DOING ANYTHING FOR HIM?

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, MAY 17

DEERS: Walter Birkhold — Maxwell Smith

EACONS for May —

Captain — Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Clarence Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

J. Frederic Smell

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ASSOCIATES for May —

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

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The serene, silent beauty of a holy life
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MAY BREAKFAST CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The May Breakfast will be held May at 9:15 A.M. in Fellowship Hall. Invocation will be given by Mrs. Geo. Wascovich. Mrs. H. G. Helmuth is in charge of worship assisted by Mrs. A. N. Shockney, Mr. David Hoog, Mrs. Stanley Cole, Mrs. Carl Smith. Special music by Mrs. S. Merriman.

Program: Mrs. Ralph Palmer, Indianapolis former Missionary to Japan will be the guest speaker. McGavran Circle is in charge of decorations and refreshments.

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58 CLASS

The 58 Class Party will be Saturday night, May 16 at 8 P.M. in the Church Fellowship Hall. Hostesses are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers. Plan to be there for fun and fellowship.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Chip and Gregg Allen, small sons of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Allen, were in Lutheran Hospital last week for tonsilectomy. Both are doing well.

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Mrs. J. C. Varner is a patient in Joseph's Hospital, Room 255.

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Mr. Everett Shull is a patient at Parkview, Room 228.

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Mrs. Robert Scott's brother, Leonard Huffer is ill in Veteran's Hospital, Room 562 3-E.

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STORK NEWS

Michael Gene was born May 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Jon Heavin. Mr. & Mrs. James Heavin are the proud grandparents.

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A new little girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Travis, May 9, at Lutheran Hospital. We wish to congratulate both Mr. Heavin's and the Travis'.

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Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Thompson have as their house guests Mrs. Thompson's parents from Tennessee.

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CHANCELLER FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers this Sunday were given by Mr. H. W. Sigrist in loving memory of Mrs. Sigrist.

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In a school essay on "Parents" one little girl wrote: "We get our parents when they are so old it is hard to change their habits." —copied



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Recently I came across a strong statement by a famous American Preacher, Peter Marshall:

"Surely there is something wrong with our loves and standards of values, when we compare what we spend for amusements and what we give to the Church. There are gifts made at a cost and some are willing to do without personal comforts in order to have a real part in the Kingdom of God.

But there are other members whose contributions are more casual and out of all proportion to their income.

Their gifts are more like tips. Less than the annual dues in a club. Less than the amount spent on non-essentials.

It makes you wonder about their standard of values. It clearly reveals the things they consider important. But we are in no doubt as to what the Lord thinks of it.

For my own part, I believe in the tithe — that is, giving one-tenth of one's income to the Lord's work, and I practice it. I believe that if the tithe was proper for the Jews — and certainly Christ approved it — then we Christians cannot give less and yet be ready to face God at the judgement bar."

Now, no one ever accused Peter Marshall of being fanatic along this line, yet here is his credo of stewardship before God. Every Christian should periodically check up and see if his stewardship is worthy of his ability to share in Kingdom causes. Throughout life there will arise manifold excuses for not having a worthy stewardship. The Christian has a Christ-like commitment which takes precedent over excuses and sees through today's problems of evaluating the level of Christian giving. Some would say, "Give the tithe, for the government will allow a 30% deduction to charitable organizations," but the truth is we ought to tithe for the Bible recommends it, and Christ commends it!

FESTIVAL CHOIR REHEARSAL

The Festival Choir will have a rehearsal on Thursday evening, May 21, at 7:30 P.M. Every one who likes to sing is invited to come for practice.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT CALLING

Wednesday night of each week is Calling Night when the folk of the Church go out two by two calling on prospective members for the Church. Please be at the Church at 7 P.M., each Wednesday night.

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GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE

Class will resume study of the Bible next Tuesday evening, May 26, at 7 P.M. in the Church Parlor. We are finding this Class most interesting.

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HAMLET

(Apologies to Shakespeare)

To pledge or not to pledge;
That is the Question.
Whether it is nobler in a man
To take the gospel free and let another
foot the bill,
Or to sign a pledge and help to pay the
church expenses.
To give, to pay — aye, there's the rub —
to pay.
When on the free pew plan a man may
have a sitting free.
And take the gospel, too, as tho he paid
And none the wiser be,
Save the finance committee, who —
Most honorable men — can keep it secret.
To err is human; human too, to buy at
cheapest rate.
I'm wise; I'll wait, not work,
I'll pray, not pay, and let the others foot
the bill,
And so with me the gospel's free, you see.

—Anonymous

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Many other Christians have learned the secret of the spiritual power available to those who tithe. Faced by the increasing uncertainty of a life which rests upon material security alone, men and women are learning the importance of the spiritual law which makes tithing an acknowledgment of God's goodness and love.

The teachings of Jesus assume that His followers will tithe. No interpretation of the words of the Master encourage any of His followers to believe that they could give less than a tenth to God, and still be counted as faithful. He called for the surrender of all a man might possess. The tithe is a small measure of what Jesus challenged people to give to God.

Tithing is practical. It is a reasonable measure of giving. God has been generous in the provision which he has made to care for man's needs.

Tithing is a standard. Christians find it easy to set false standards to decide what their responsibility is for the work of the Church. Those standards make it possible for some Christians to assume that loyalty means that they can give less than one-half as much to Christ as the dues which are paid for membership in a country club, or less than is spent for theater tickets, or for gasoline to drive through the countryside on a Sunday afternoon.

We need a standard of giving in this day and generation. The tithe meets this need. It calls for us to set aside ten per cent of our earnings not as a debt to be paid to God, but as a glad acknowledgment of His goodness and mercy.

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CHI RHO'S

The Chi Rho's will meet Sunday evening at 5:30 in the Church Gym for study, worship, fun and recreation. All Chi Rho age youth are cordially invited to come.

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, that in quietness and confidence shall be our strength; by the mighty Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer



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Dear Christian Friends:

Sunday morning we will honor our graduates. They will have their annual breakfast fellowship at the airport restaurant at 8:30 A.M. The minister will bring them a special message for the occasion. During the worship service an ensemble from the Central High School Choir will present a special number in conjunction with the Sanctuary Choir.

The minister will speak to the West Creighton Graduates at breakfast in the West Creighton church at 6:00 A.M. (Anyone like to invite him to a THIRD breakfast).

May I take this opportunity to remind the members of our great Church once more that summer months mean relaxation both as to our work and oft-times as to our responsibilities. Our BUILDING FUND needs a shot in the arm during these months for many, many families are out of the city over long periods, and the \$2,700 per month payment on the building goes rolling right along with the 10th of every month! If you haven't helped on the Building Fund lately, why not add your gift to others this week? It needs your support.

Sunday morning I will be preaching on the theme: "FROM DAWN TO SUNSET WITH CHRIST." I shall point out man's great need of Christ in any moment of his life. It may be divided into three divisions: Adjustment, Achievement, and Retirement, and we all need Christ in all of them. I hope you will be present to share in this message.

During the Bible School hour our attendance has increased considerably. This is an invitation to make one of the classes your study time every Lord's Day morning. The Berean Class is studying the BOOK OF ACTS. Others are following the International Bible School Lesson. Take your choice, and LET'S GET TO KNOW THE WORD OF GOD!

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Kindergarten	32	2.31	23	1.12
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom				
Primary Department	52	5.01	52	5.30
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison				
Junior Department	45	4.95	50	7.23
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mrs. Victor Sterling Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel				
Junior High Department....	14	2.40	14	1.70
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Ladies Bible Class	6	1.75	6	1.15
Mrs. C. F. Durfee				
Men's Class	14	7.55	14	7.75

TOTALS 394 109.75 366 93.01



Your Church
is YOU

Sanctified by God's Presence,
Your Church Represents the
Cumulative Effort of its
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If Every Member Were Just
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Proud of the Result?

GOD NEEDS YOU
YOU NEED GOD

BE READY TO SERVE
WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, MAY 31

ELDERS: David Griggs — Harold Crowder
DEACONS for May —

Captain — Donald C. Smith, K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Clarence Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

J. Frederic Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATES for May —

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR MAY —

Mrs. Robert Clipp

DEACONESS FOR MAY —

Mrs. Glenn Miller

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord of life, let that mind be in me that was in Christ. Where I find fear in the heart of a friend, may I leave confidence. Where there is bitterness, let me bring understanding; where there is doubt, may I plant faith; where there is suspicion, trust where there is felt superiority, may the quality of my life suggest humility. Where there is chaos, may Thy spirit working in me help bring order. May my response to darkness anywhere, in the world or in the hearts of men, be the unflinching glow of my faith in the way of Jesus. Amen

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. H. G. Imuth, 1232 Fairfield Ave., Wednesday, June 3, at 12:30 P.M. The group will enjoy a carry-in luncheon and each member asked to bring table service. Worship by Mrs. Muriel Wilson, program by Mrs. N. Schlatter

The Higdon Circle have postponed their meeting until Tuesday, June 9, when they will have a carry-in dinner at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Charles Dare, 4534 Willette. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Phillip Uhl, 816 Kinnaird, Wednesday, June 3, at 7:30.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. A. H. Crouse, 6502 S. Calhoun St., Tuesday afternoon, June 2, at 1:30. Worship by Mrs. Cecil Rice, Study by Mrs. L. H. Jiggins

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Leo Miller, 2422 Ardmore, for a carry-in luncheon, Tuesday, June 2, at 12:30.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

June 8 to 19 Inclusive

The Vacation Church School will begin promptly at 9:15 A.M. and close at 11:30. The fee is \$1.00 per child, \$2.00 per family. Children from 3 years old through 11 (5th grade) are eligible for attendance. We will conduct the School Monday thru Friday. Family visiting day will be Thursday morning, June 18.

Department Leaders are:

Nursery—Mrs. Max Finkhousen.
Kindergarten (4, 5 yr. olds) Mrs. Wm. Love.

Pre-schoolers with Kindergarten—Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. Thomas Thornbury, Mrs. Ralph Church.

Nursery—Mrs. Robert Rayl.
2nd Grades (7, 8 yr. olds) Juniors—Mrs. Chas. Speicher
3rd, 4th, 5th Grades (9, 10, 11 yrs.)—Mrs. Charles Osborn, Mrs. L. R. Musselman, Mrs. Edwin Allen.

FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet Friday evening, June 5, with Mrs. Irene Kisinger, 1007 Northwood.

1959 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The High School Youth are having a Breakfast honoring their Graduates, at Baer Field Airport, Sunday morning, May 31 at 8:30 A.M. They will join the congregation at 10:30 for Morning Worship.

Graduating Seniors are requested to wear their Caps and Gowns. A special place will be reserved for the Youth in the Sanctuary.

Those Graduating are:

Merle Rice	Thomas Fountain
Robin Miller	Carol Green
Maurice Allen	Arlene Smell
John Johnston	Kay Pattengale
Lee Nickerson	

Due to the fact of Baccalaureate Services there will not be a C.Y.F. meeting Sunday evening, May 31.

CHI RHO'S

The Chi Rho's will not meet Sunday evening, May 31.

SANCTUARY CHOIR

The usual practice for Thursday night next week has been changed to Wednesday night, June 3, at 7:30 P.M. The remaining weeks of June—practice will be on Thursday evening as usual.

Please make note of this change and try to attend. We need your support these last few weeks. Thank you.

THANK YOU!!

Our sincere thanks go to the members of the Come Double and 58 Classes for their fine project of building a beautiful fence in the Nursery. Phillip Uhl designed the fence and the members of the Classes furnished the materials and labor.

The perpetuity of this nation depends upon the religious education of the Youth.
—George Washington

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 17 & May 24

Church Worship Attendance	398	381
Church School Attendance	394	366
Regular Church Offering	801.37	669.32
Building Fund Offering	197.20	212.60
Church School	109.75	93.01

TOTAL \$1108.32 \$974.93

AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Eva Mosier fell recently and is patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 31

Mrs. Virgil David, 5321 Rebecca, is patient at Parkview, Room 317.

Mrs. Maud Miller is a patient at Joseph's Hospital.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers next Sunday c given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad loving memory of Mrs. Conrad's paren the Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Jones.

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ATTENTION — MEMBERS OF

CWF NIGHT CIRCLES!

The District One Night Leadership Training Institute will be held in this church Friday, June 5. Supper will be served 6 P.M. for \$1.00. We are the Host church and this Institute is for you, we urge good attendance. We do need your support! Mrs. Ward I. Nicholas, State CWF Executive Secretary, and Mrs. C. A. Underwood, State CWF Recorder will be guests. Get your supper reservations in Mrs. Owen Vaught, District Sec'y

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GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE

We have resumed our study of the Bible and the Class will meet again next Tuesday evening.

"We are living in a confusion of tongues many men are offering many contradictory solutions of the world's ills. We need hear God speak. And the Bible gives God's voice, in His own words, with His own divine and infallible solution for the world's ills as no other book ever possesses by men."

—American Bible Society

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I sought Thee at a distance, and did not know that Thou wast near. I sought Thee abroad in Thy works, and behold, Thou wast in me.

—Augustine

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THE BIBLE — A LOST BOOK

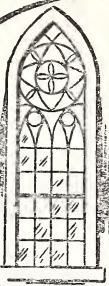
Dr. Joseph Fort Newton once wrote: "One day, so runs a famous story, England took up and found that the Bible was gone. Not only the Book itself, but all trace of its influence and every echo of its music had been erased from life. The result was appalling. A great literature became well-nigh unintelligible. The gorgeous pages of skin looked like moth-eaten tapestry. Everyday speech stammered and faltered.

"A change passed over the whole tone and temper of the nation. Life became hectic, hurried and vulgar. Old restraints were thrown off, leaving instinct to run wild. Values were blurred, and life itself became little and mean, not so much tragic as vicious, trivial, frivolous, or else drab. Something fine, high, and fair had gone out of it.

Well, something like that has actually happened, and it is the greatest calamity of the last hundred years. The Bible is not actually lost, but it is unknown. Our people do not read it, they do not even hear it read. Few have any notion of what it means how to read it. It fills one with dismay to see a generation growing up who know almost nothing of the Bible. If they have taken it as a lesson in school, it has been quickly forgotten. We are faced by an amazing spectacle — a generous, charming, intelligent generation without the Bible!"

Have you spent as much time reading the Bible in these past months as you have reading the daily newspaper? Is Bible reading no longer to mould and shape our lives? Take time to make the inspired Word of God live for you by becoming familiar with its time-tested parables, its searching analysis of sin, its pointed prescription for mental and spiritual health.

LET'S GET TO KNOW THE WORD OF GOD!



MEET YOUR FRIENDS AT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Christian fellowship is one of the joys you
will find through regular attendance here.

But friendship with Jesus surpasses all human
ties. His companionship is yours for the asking. "Ye are
my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command."

YOU NEED THE SUNDAY SCHOOL THE SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS YOU

SUNDAY IS CHILDREN'S DAY

The special Offering is for World Missions. Let us open our hearts and our purse to the needs of the children of the world. Our goal is \$250.00.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Higdon Circle will have a carry-in dinner Tuesday evening, June 9, at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Charles Dare, 4534 Wilmette. Mrs. Irene Cline, Program; Worship by Mrs. E. G. Rose.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Ludwig, 2722 Glencairn, Tuesday evening, June 9 at 7:30 P.M.

Hostesses for the Fellowship Guild carry-in dinner are Miss Ethel Shroyer, 4821 Tacoma, and Mrs. Donald Smith. The group will meet Monday evening, June 8 at 6:15 P.M. Program by Mrs. Fern Gray, Worship by Miss Pearl Heidecker.

The Esther Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Marion Favory, 3813 Central Drive, Monday evening, June 15. MEMBERS! PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE!

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers this Sunday are given by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weicker in loving memory of Mrs. Weicker's brother

IN SYMPATHY

All the members of the church join in extending deepest sympathy to Rev. and Mrs. George Wascovich at this time of sorrow. Mr. Ray Lewis, brother of Mrs. Wascovich passed away after a long illness. May the fact of our prayers at this time of grief help sustain and comfort them.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

O God, who art the truth; we pray thee to teach us step by step what we do not know, to preserve in us that which we do know, to correct us when mistaken, to strengthen us when we fail, and to deliver us from all that is false. Amen.

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DEERS: Cecil Rice — Robert Rayl.

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Charles R. Ludwig

Herdis G. Helmuth

Louis M. Culbertson

Laurence Coleman

F. Marion Coburn

James Cain

William E. Bennett

Kenneth L. Edwards

William J. Conrad

Solon E. Merriam

SOCIATES:

Garland Morroll

Edwin Allen

William Franklin

Orville Moody

Cecil Beck

SPITALITY FOR JUNE:

Chairman — Mrs. Floyd E. Morrical

ACONESS:

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

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VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

June 8 to 19

The Vacation Church School will begin at Monday morning at 9:15 and continue through Friday, June 19. Fee \$1.00 per day, \$2.00 per family. Children from 3 years to 11 years are invited.

Department Leaders and Assistants

Nursery: Babies of teachers and helps in School only. Mrs. Sarah Likens, Mrs. Ph Sheets.

Pre-Olds: Mrs. Max Finkhousen, leader; Don Wasson, Mrs. Fuller.

Kindergarten: Mrs. Wm. R. Love, leader; Lloyd Rader, Mrs. Donald Somers, Ted Bryan, Mrs. George Bruckman, Van Fossen, Sheri Rodriguez.

Kindergarten: Mrs. Thomas Thornbury and J. Carl Smith, Co-leaders; Mrs. Ralph Arch, Mrs. Wm. Franklin.

Nursery: Mrs. Robert Rayl, leader; Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Darwin Weikel, Mrs. Ed Hall, Mrs. Paul Yentes, Mrs. C. E. Kirk.

Pre-Olds: Mrs. Charles Speicher, leader; Mrs. Old Addison, Mrs. Charles Osborn, Mrs. A. Musselman, Mrs. Jack Williams, Mrs. Slater, Mrs. Edwin Allen, Mrs. Helen H. Special features by: Mr. Delmas, Mr. Harold Crowder, Mr. J. R. Shockney, Mr. J. E. Weicker.

Refreshments: Mrs. John Craig, Mrs. John P. Mrs. L. H. Higgins, Mrs. Elmer Dar- chter.

Transportation: Mrs. Charles Bussard.

Attendance: Mrs. Berton Purdy, Mrs. Whit- Thompson.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

May 31

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	8	.68
Nursery Department	30	2.13
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	18	1.86
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	46	4.40
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	52	6.13
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	16	2.60
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	0	0.00
Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	22	12.00
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	27	19.50
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	11	3.25
Progressive	27	13.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	17	3.25
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	6.05
	300	\$76.80

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY May 31

Church Worship Attendance	356
Church School Attendance	300
Regular Church Offering	842.43
Building Fund Offering	160.75
Church School	76.80

TOTAL \$1079.98

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Have you seen the newly painted wall in Fellowship Hall? What a wonderful improvement. The paint is the gift Mr. Wm. Vunora on the labor was done by our own men. We greatly appreciate these efforts on the part of our men. Now we are planning to tile the floor which will add much to the beauty of Fellowship Hall. 70 cartons of tile have been ordered at \$8.00 per carton. We need funds to pay for this tile and some have indicated the willingness to help by buying one or more cartons. Perhaps you, too, would like to help in this way. We are giving all our families an opportunity to have a part in this improvement. Please see William Franklin Treasurer of Christian Men's Fellowship or contact the Church Office.

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"CALLED TO HIS PURPOSE"

This is the theme of this year's International Convention Assembly scheduled for Denver, Colo., Aug. 28-Sept. 2. This will be the year of "Appraisal and Forecast" as we complete the final year of the current Long-Range Program. We will also consider the past including the writing of the "Declaration and Address," and look to the future and the "Decade of Decision" for the 1960's. Register your family today! The fee is \$4.00 per adult; \$2.00 per student.

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STORK NEWS

Steven Wayne came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Evans last Sunday, May 3. Congratulations to the proud parents. Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Leversee are the grandparents of Steven.

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GETTING TO KNOW THE BIBLE

The Class will meet next Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M.

Always the Bible has inspired the noblest courage and the most sublime action of man. Heroes have dedicated their lives to its principles. Martyrs have died with its words on their lips.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Summer is here and with it comes the VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM. We need to recognize the labors of love of many consecrated Christian women, without whom such a program would be impossible. I suspect that after two weeks of Vacation Bible School our ladies will be needing a vacation of one kind or another! God bless Christian women who always find the time to share so largely in the Church's ministry to the community!

I need to express my pride in the men of First Christian Church! Gee, in the painting of the fellowship hall, and in laying the tile on the old cement floor, the men of First Christian did themselves up real proud! There was much gay banter, some sore backs and fingers, weird looking pink shirts and trousers, and lately black fingers on placing tile in place! Best of all there was a great deal of Christian fellowship! The hot coffee and doughnuts helped to get the job done. For a very hard task that is nearly finished, the Church takes off its hat (or is it hats?) to the men who really worked to make the fellowship hall one of the very loveliest I have ever seen! Thanks a million, Men!

Sunday is BUILDING FUND SUNDAY! If you have an extra thousand dollar bill lying around gathering dust and mold, bring it along Sunday (Gee, we'll even come and get it!), of course that goes for bills of all sizes and denominations (the Baptist seems to be the easiest to get hold of!) — hundreds, fifties, twenties, tens, fives, ones, etc. Oh, yes, if you have some two dollar bills bring them along! Seriously, this is a fine time of the year when the payment of \$2,700 is most difficult to meet, what with summer vacations and absences from Church. The Church needs your help, and hopes you will share his week.

Sunday's Sermon: "THE THREEFOLD SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE"

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June 7

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Babies and Toddlers	8	.06
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Kindergarten	21	4.78
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	48	7.98
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	42	12.53
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
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A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	19	15.90
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	30.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	26.85
TOTALS	315	\$186.76

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive will meet in the Chapel Tuesday evening, June 16, at 7:15 P. The General meeting will be at 8 o'clock in the Church Parlor.

Worship by the Esther Circle; Program "The Church and Christian Family"; Hospitality, Fellowship Guild; Refreshment Circle Chairmen. Report of State Convention.

Installation of Officers by Mrs. Arthur Betz.

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The Christian Women's Fellowship Annual Cleaning Day will be Wednesday, June 24, at 9:00 A.M. Please bring a sack lunch.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McMaken will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with an Open House on June 28th, 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. at their home 3022 South Wayne Avenue. Members of the Church and friends are cordially invited.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class Party will be Saturday, June 13. Bowling at Kiss Recreation Center, 2029 Fairfield Ave., 7:45 P.M.

The Group will meet at the Church for a snack after the bowling.

Margaret and Bill Love and Betty and Aaron Smith, co-hosts and hostesses.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our hearts are touched with sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. John Craig and family in the recent loss of Mrs. Craig's father. May God sustain and comfort them in their days of sorrow.

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The weekly rest day for the toiler is a gift from Christianity, and the maintenance of the Sabbath depends on the strength of Christian influence. For the working man himself to misuse it, to allow it to be attacked in his name would be like a man's sawing off the branch on which he is sitting.

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When Jesus chose His disciples He selected busy men, but not too busy to put first things first.

Don't You Want to be a Part?



**AN ACTIVE
GROWING
WITNESSING**

*Sunday
School*

We believe in a vital, energetic, working
religion . . . Won't you join us in that program?

WE'LL MEET YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Children's Day Offering was \$119.88. The offering is for World Missions and will
held over until after next Sunday, so that every member will have an opportunity
contribute. Our goal is \$250.00.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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ACONS for June:

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

be known to us in breaking bread,

but do not thou depart;

aviour, with us abide, and spread

thy Table in our heart.

here sup with us, in love divine;

the body and thy blood,

that living Bread, that heavenly wine,

be our immortal food.

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part in this improvement. Please see Wil-
liam Franklin Treasurer of Christian Men's
Fellowship or contact the Church Office.
\$85.00 has been given to this fund to date.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ruth Douglas is a patient in Park-
view Hospital, Room 345.

Mrs. Henry M. Flowers is a patient at
Lutheran Hospital, having undergone
surgery. She is in Room 493.

Mr. Claude Crowell was in Lutheran
hospital last week for treatment.

Mrs. Eleanoir Munson is a patient at
Lutheran Hospital, Room 408.

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IN SYMPATHY

Mrs. Stella Burkhalter, a member of this
Church for a number of years, passed
away June 1, 1959. We extend sincere
sympathy to her family.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 7

Church Worship Attendance	331
Church School Attendance	315
Regular Church Offering	907.81
Building Fund Offering	386.12
Church School Children's Day	119.88
Special for Tile	85.00

TOTAL 1498.81

TOO YOUNG — THE BABY IN BED?

How often when seeking to enlist young
parents and their children in church
organizations do we hear words such as
these: "Bring the baby? Why he is too
young to bring to church!" BUT IS HE?

Let us note some of the things which
a child learns during the first year of
development:

Sits alone.

Discriminates between the strange and
the familiar.

Picks up and examines objects carefully.

Understands many things said to him.

Responds to rhythmic nursery games.

Speaks several words.

Follows moving object with eyes.

May walk.

Quieted by voice and music.

Observant of objects and activities
around him;

Notifies differences of tone in one
voice—such as approval and disapproval.

Responds to "No, no".

Bites, chews and swallows solid food—
may feed himself.

Drinks from a cup.

Responds to other people.

During no other period in life does
child experience as much growth and
change as he does during this first year.
Is this baby then too young to:

Associate the nursery room of the
church with a feeling of happiness and
security and love and care?

To become familiar with the people who
care for him;

To feel that the church is a good place
to come—that there are people there who
care for him, meet his needs, and love him.

To respond to the attitudes of the
Christian leaders meeting his needs;

To associate the words God, Jesus, the
Bible and the Church with the happiness
he finds in the Nursery room;

To associate the name Jesus with the
picture of Jesus;

To become familiar with the name Jesus
as it is sung to him in "Jesus Loves You".

To benefit from a Christian home re-
sulting from persons attending Sunday
School, Training Union, and the worship
services?

No, your baby is not too young to bring
to church nursery—HE IS TOO YOUNG
NOT TO BRING!!!!

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY JULY 6

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 18, 1959

Number 38

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

There are times when the words, "I told you so," are hard and cruel, but at other times they are thrilling and wholesome! When I came to you with the information that the church would need to raise one month's payment in addition to the regular offering I said that your response would be quickly evident. I am deeply proud to say, "I told you so!" At this writing we have received \$900 toward the Building Fund, some of the funds coming in after Sunday's offering. To those of you who were so quick to give your response to this need, may we say, "Thank you, and God bless you."

It is our belief that many more will share in the next few weeks, and that the total sum of \$2,700 will be met. Without a doubt our people have a great love for the Lord and for His Church, and their growing stewardship is a vivid evidence of that love.

The Vacation Bible School has been a huge success. A debt of thanks to Mrs. [Name], the director, and to her wonderful staff of workers. At least 155 children were taught and a wonderful time was had by all. A complete list of the women and men who very graciously gave of their time to make this school a fine success will appear in next week's Tidings.

Sunday morning I shall preach on the theme: "LIFE'S THREE MAJOR DECISIONS". The three decisions that must be made by every person are: Who or what is to be my Master? Who will be my Mate? And the third, What will be my Mission in life? It is possible to destroy the happiness or success of a life merely by choosing the wrong Master, Mate, or Mission. What ought to be some of the guiding principles for a Christian as he makes his decisions?

Wasn't it good to see the fine attendance in the sanctuary Sunday morning? Some of you and a hundred of your friends will be looking for you this Sunday morning: Bible School and Worship 10:30 A.M.

FELLOWSHIP HALL

The painting and tiling is about completed in Fellowship Hall. And it has made quite an improvement in the appearance of the Hall. \$136.00 has been given toward this fund of \$700.00. Donations of \$8.00 per carton of tile are being solicited. Please place your contribution in the offering plates or see Mr. Wm. Franklin, Treasurer of Christian Men's Fellowship. The Fellowship is sponsoring the project.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers this Sunday are the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Eural G. Rose.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Craig wish to take this means to thank their many friends for the lovely cards and flowers, and for the many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy they received during their recent sorrow.

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COLLEGE GRADUATES

We wish to congratulate our young people who have just graduated from College. Among those graduating are: Mrs. Bonnie Fusselman-Evans, Lloyd Flowers, Sylvan Young. There are probably others and if you will call the Office before Tuesday, we shall be happy to list their names in the next issue of Tidings.

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The Christian Women's Fellowship Annual Cleaning Day will be Wednesday, June 24, at 9:00 A.M. Please bring a sack lunch.

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CAR WASH!! JULY 11

The Christian Youth Fellowship members will have a Car Wash on July 11, from 9:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. at Hartman's Sunoco Station at the corner of Calhoun and Pettit, opposite the Church. Fee, \$1.00 per car.

The members of the church are urged to cooperate with our young people in this project.

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No citizen is an asset to himself or his country who seeks to live at the hands of his nation without return.

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When Jesus chose His disciples He selected busy men, but not too busy to put first things first.

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June 25 —

Last Tidings Issue !

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT June 14

	Att.	
Babies and Toddlers	11	
Nursery Department	25	2
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	2
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	39	5
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	29	5
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	13	1.
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	18	2
Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	29	12
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	36	21.
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean	14	6.
Progressive	26	15.
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	16	30.
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	15	6.
TOTALS	299	\$114.



WHY Should I Give?

Giving is the Law of Life

There is no harvest without seed, no gain without investment, no success without sacrifice. The richest life is the life of service.

Giving is the Law of Love

The motive of love is sharing. The greatest joy is the joy of helping those we truly love. We give because we love. Giving increases love, makes it more real.

Giving is the Law of Growth

An unused muscle becomes weakened; an unexpressed thought soon dies; an unexercised talent declines. In the natural, social, or spiritual realm we gain in strength by use.

*The More You Give
The More You Will Have to Give*

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE SUNDAY, JUNE 21

DEBARS: Harold Crowder — John Craig
ACONS for June:
Captain — J. Carl Smith, S-4661
Robert C. Banet
Charles R. Ludwig
Rdis G. Helmuth
uis M. Culbertson
urence Coleman
Marion Coburn
SOCIATES:
Garland Morroff
Edwin Allen
William Franklin
Orville Moody
Cecil Beck
SPITALITY FOR JUNE:
Chairman — Mrs. Floyd E. Morrical
ACONESS:
Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

KOREAN FOSTER CHILDREN

The '58 Class have adopted a family of Korean children and the Class is soliciting good warm clothing for ages 4 years, 11 years, 13 years and 17 years, all girls. If you have any clothing you care to contribute for these children, please contact Mrs. Carl Smith or some member of the '58 Class.

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The last Tidings for the Summer will go to press on June 25. The first issue in the Fall will be September 4th. All Departments are urged to get their notices in by September 1st.

JULY 5, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	326
Church School Attendance	299
Regular Church Offering	724.53
Building Fund Offering	762.75
Church School Offering	83.76
Children's Day	30.30
Special for Tile	43.00

TOTAL \$1644.34

BUILDING FUND OFFERING

Our building fund offering in response to our letter last week was \$900.75. This will be applied toward the necessary \$2700 extra we shall need by July 10. Let us all make a special effort to help reach this need.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ella Maxwell is a patient in Joseph's Hospital, Room 411.

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WORSHIP SERVICES — SUMMER SCHEDULE

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Make us skillful, O Lord, in the arts of forgiveness. Help us to see the eternal rightness of the forgiving spirit. By thy knowledge of our own failings give the spirit of charity toward the frailties of others. By the deep hurt we have suffered through injustice, make us eager to do justly and to love mercy. By thy memory of him who on Calvary forgave those who thrust in the nails, make us willing to forgive until seventy times seven. Amen.

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IN SYMPATHY

Word has come to us of the recent death of Mr. Wm. Bennett's father in Florida. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Mr. Bennett and his family at this time of sorrow.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McMaken will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with an Open House on June 28th, 3 to 5:30 P.M. at their home 3022 South Wayne Avenue. Members of the Church and friends are cordially invited.

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JUNE 25 — LAST TIDINGS ISSUE



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

This is the last issue of the TIDINGS until the first week of September. This is in keeping with our Postal Regulations. I should like to take this issue then to urge your attendance at worship services wherever you may be on the Lord's Day. Keep up your support of the Church's financial program. Its expenses are going on as though there were fall or winter.

Once again may I remind you of the phrase, "I TOLD YOU SO!" We are making progress towards the \$2,700 additional funds for the Building Fund. One of the bright spots has been the significant sharing of the Christian Women's Fellowship, who voted at their last meeting to give \$500 toward the Building Fund, another \$400 which they gave in the form of a Church Bond, and then \$300 toward the tile. No other words can express our appreciation quite like the words: "GOD BLESS YOU REAL GOOD!" Have you made your contribution towards our goal?

I should like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude toward the membership of this great church for their kindness and thoughtfulness toward our family, in the loss of Alma's brother. The truly lovely flowers sent by the Church, and letters sent by some of the members of the Church, were a tower of strength in the hour of our need. The countless cards of sympathy, and the many wonderful notes so thoughtfully penned to Alma and me, will always be treasured. Oh, how wonderful are the ways of Christian Fellowship! God bless you for your every thoughtfulness.

The tile on the basement floor has improved the looks of Fellowship Hall immeasurably. A very special vote of gratitude must go to Mr. Edwin Allen, pres. of the M. F. and to Mr. Wm. Franklin, Sec.-Treas. of the C. M. F. who labored so long and faithfully, and without whom this achievement would not have been made possible. My co-laborer, James Shockney, a special vote of appreciation must also be given, for he was there first and stayed until the last. If there is work to be done around First Christian Church, there you will always find Jim Shockney. To the host of fellows who cared so wonderfully — Thanks a Million, fellows! God bless you, every one!

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

ELDERS: June 28 —

Floyd E. Morrical — Maxwell Smith

DEACONS: for July

Captain, Harold Addison, H-79715

Frank M. Moody

Paul D. Truby

C. Bueford Tharp

Le Roy Timbrook

Gorden Welker

Back Brickley

Albert J. Powell

John F. Hechler

Howard J. Howell

Robert N. Hendricks

Phillip E. Uhl

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Malcolm Stroad

Wayne E. Newton

Omer Guingrich

Carl Nickerson

Stephen Blaising

DEACONS: for August

Captain, M. B. Sweeney, K-4898

Paul E. Yentes

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

William Caldwell

Edwin Hall

Elmer Darwachter

James H. Naile

Cliff K. Travis

Robert Ogles

Robert Perkins

ASSOCIATE DEACONS:

Lee Bragg

Ted Bryan

William Vunora

Walter Keebortz

John J. Jefferies

ELDERS: for July

5 Walter Birkhold — William Love

12 J. E. Weicker — Rolland Ripple

19 William Crouse — David Griggs

26 Carter Palmer — Eural Rose

For August

2 John Craig — Glenn Miller

9 David Hogg — Grayston Cripe

16 Robert Rayl — Floyd Morrical

23 Eural G. Rose — Cecil Rice

30 William Love — Harold Crowder

PLEASE FILE FOR REFERENCE

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR JULY:

Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau

For August:

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

DEACONESSSES:

For July: Mrs. Irene Cline

For August: Mrs. John Craig

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers this next Sunday are given by Miss Ethel Shroyer and Mr. Donald Smith, given in loving memory of their father.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Eva Mosier has been moved Room 268, St. Joseph's Hospital

Freeman Truby, father of Paul Truby, a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 13

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O Lord our God, who hast set us in a world of beauty and wonder, we beseech thee to give us wisdom to unseal springs of joy. May we find joy in the loveliness of nature, the strength of friendship, the conquest of difficulty, and the satisfaction of service. Teach us to delight in simple things. And when moments of high privilege are granted to us, may we welcome them with joyous reverence. We ask the name of him who bequeathed his joy that our joy might be full. Amen.

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JULY 5, BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

SUMMER SCHEDULE, FIFTH GRADE CLASS, JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

As we study the lessons prescribed by quarterly we also are setting up a schedule of class achievements to promote interest in our summer work.

The Class is to be divided into two teams; the losing team to provide all the work, not the expenses, for a picnic and party to be held before promotion from Class in October.

One of the achievements will naturally be attendance. If the young person cannot attend Sunday School at the First Christian Church because of attendance elsewhere or illness of the student, I would appreciate parents informing me of this matter by note or otherwise, so that the record may be kept accurately.

Also we will have three or four other projects during the months of June, July and August. They will not be lengthy or require much time in preparation, just a matter of helping to understand and remember the lessons of this summer session. I am depending on all of you to do your best in taking part in this program.

Mrs. Victor Sterling.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

New officers for the year 1959-1960 were called at the June meeting of the Fellowship, they are:

President, Mrs. Max Finkhausen; First Vice-President, Mrs. A. N. Shockney; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Paul Yentes; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Wm. R. Love; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rolland Apple; Treasurer, Mrs. Robert Clipp; Cheerleader, Mrs. Earl Fusselman.

My sincere thanks to Officers, Circle Leaders, and members of Christian Women's Fellowship for your splendid cooperation during my term of office.

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, Retiring President

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BEHIND THE NEXT DOOR TO OPPORTUNITY

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men." Gal. 6:10

O God, open our eyes to the little things we can do. Help us to recognize every opportunity and needs. Forgive our inaction. Teach us how to use the resources which we now have. In the Father's name we pray. Amen.

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Nursery Department	24	2.02
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	18	2.56
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe		
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	38	4.38
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	38	5.82
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	9	1.65
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	18	2.80
Chas. Billiard		
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	17	13.00
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	33	15.50
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James H. Naile		
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Hugh D. Rice		
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Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
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Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

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We wish to thank the many who gave so liberally of their time to make the School a success:

Transportation—Mr. Charles Bussard.

Registrars: Mrs. Robert Wolf, Mrs. F. J. Morrical, Mrs. A. J. Powell, Mrs. C. M. Culbertson, Mrs. Berton Purdy.

Nursery: Mrs. Sarah Likens, Mrs. Ralph Sheets, Miss Della Howell.

Refreshments: Mrs. John Craig, Mrs. John Hoop, Mrs. L. H. Higgins, Mrs. E. D. Wachter.

Teachers and Helpers: Mrs. L. M. Finlousen, Mrs. Fuller, Mary Alice Truby, Mr. Wm. R. Love, Mrs. Geo. Bruckman, Mr. Ted Bryan, Mrs. S. R. Quinn, Mrs. Donna Somers, Mrs. Lloyd Rader, Janet Plumme, Sheri Rodriguez, Kay Wollman, Connie Wascovich, Margaret Ann Love, Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. Thomas Thornbury, Mr. Ralph Church, Mrs. Wm. Franklin, Mr. Robert Westerfield, Mrs. Marion Coburn, Mrs. Ben Taylor, Mrs. Robert Rayl, Mr. Paul Yentes, Mrs. Edwin Hall, Mrs. Darlene Weikel, Mrs. Clair Buskirk, Ellen Crowder, Kathy Weicker, Mrs. Charles Speiche, Mrs. Charles Osborn, Mrs. Jack Williams, Mrs. Passler, Mrs. Harold Addison, Mr. L. R. Musselman, Mrs. Edwin Allen.

Special Features: Mr. Delmas Young, Mr. Harold Crowder, Mrs. J. E. Weicker, Mr. Wm. Wetzel, Mr. James Shockney, Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich.

Director: Mrs. Owen Vaught.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Summer is nearly gone, the children are making themselves believe it would be thrilling to be allowed the privilege of going back to the schoolroom, and parents are out to recover from the long vacation period! This summer has scattered our congregation from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from New England to California, from Florida to Canada! How many miles would you think the church family has covered? Wouldn't it have been wonderful if all of us could have made every trip that was made by any member of the Church? Well just sharing the experiences of the summer with one another can be thrilling.

To do just that we are planning a Church-wide dinner to be held on THURSDAY EVENING, September 10th, at 6:30 P.M. The church will foot the bill and all the membership is urged to attend. Let's get the family of God in our Church back together!

Mr. Jack V. Reeve, director of stewardship for our great Brotherhood will be our guest speaker!

SEPTEMBER 13th will begin our "90 DAYS OF SHARING." Since over \$40,000. of certificates pledged against our Building Fund will be due in November we will all be encouraged to enter into this 90 Day Period of commitment to this great Cause. Many have already given their certificates to the Building Fund, others have already indicated they will do so in the NINETY DAYS OF SHARING. Many of us do not hold certificates and we too must share by making over and above commitments to this cause. It is an estimate of the amount you are willing to give toward meeting this period of BUILDING FUND NEED during the next 90 Days!

EVERY ONE CAN DO SOMETHING!
Work!

Give!

Pray!

Summer schedule will continue through September 6th. Bible School: 9:00 and worship 10:00 A.M. The fall schedule will begin on the 13th.

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	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	7	.50
Nursery Department	30	2.53
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	16	2.78
Mrs. Grayston M. Cripe Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	30	4.27
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	33	4.85
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mrs. Victor Sterling Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	9	.95
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church Mr. and Mrs. John Craig		
High School Department	7	.85
Chas. Billiard John Johnston		
The "58" Class	24	10.10
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Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	5.55
TOTALS	255	\$64.06

NOTES

It is with regret that we must bid "good bye to two of our fine families:

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Craig and the boy will make their home at 340 No. Frank Rd., Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Grayston Cripe and the family will make their home in Sacramento, California.

We wish all success and happiness to these fine people in their new homes.

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We are sorry to report that Mrs. F. Worrell's mother suffered broken ribs and other injuries in an accident at her home.

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Mercifully regard, O Lord, the prayers Thy family, and while we submit ourselves to Thee with our whole heart, do Thou prosper, support, and encompass us, thus relying on Thee as our Guide, we may be entangled in no evils, and replenished with all good; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

—Amen

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A young man once wrote to Henry Wood Beecher, asking him to find an "ed place" for him. Beecher replied: "You cannot be an editor; do not try the law; do not think of the ministry; let alone ships, shops, and merchandise; be not a farmer nor a mechanic; neither be a soldier nor a sailor; don't work, don't study, do think. Oh, my son, you have come in a hard world! I know of only one place in it, and that is the grave."

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Watch for the Sept. 2 issue of LOOK MAGAZINE which will be on the newsstand around August 20. This is the issue which will carry the feature article about Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ). Hazel Spence wrote the article. The artwork and photographs will highlight our history and contemporary activities of our people. The release will coincide nicely with the Denver International Convention Assembly.

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Are You a



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Regular attendance at every service of your church will place you in a position so that God can more richly bless you . . . Don't miss a service.

THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER

AT THE EVENING HOUR

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Miss
lla Howell, 1122 Michigan Ave., Friday,
eptember 4 at 8 P.M.

AMONG OUR SICK

Many of our folk have been ill at home, and in Hospitals, during the summer months. Below are listed the names of those who were reported to the Church Office:

Mrs. Georgia Bauer, Mrs. Elizabeth Wheaton, Mr. Charles Tharp, Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mr. Arthur Richardson, Milo Miller, Jack Weicker, Mrs. Edith Darby, Mrs. Ralph Keller, Mr. S. E. Merriman, Mrs. Ella Maxwell, Mrs. Grace Harris.

We are happy to report that many of these folk are well, or improving.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Smith are the proud parents of Margery Sue, born July 19.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Broyles in August.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kapelka became the proud parents of a son, born Aug. 26.

Our congratulations to these fine young families.

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IN SYMPATHY

Mrs. Reynolds, mother of Mrs. Rolland Ripple passed away July 24. Burial at Brazil. We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Ripple and her family.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

August 30, 1959

Church Worship Attendance	289
Church School Attendance	255
Regular Church Offering	731.68
Building Fund Offering	404.80
Church School Offering	64.06

TOTAL \$1200.54

"58" CLASS

New officers elected for year 1959-19 are: Orville Moody, President; Raly Church, Vice-President; Mrs. Thomas Thorbury, Sec'y-Treas.

The new year begins September 6. The outgoing officers: Cliff Travis, Mrs. Darw Weikel and Mrs. Ted Bryan wish to thank the Class for the fine cooperation shown. We wish the new officers great success. We hope to see all of you next Sunday morning for an interesting lesson and fellowship. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

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WEDDING BELLS

Wedding Bells rang for Barbara Stale and George Crosley; Twyla Richmond and John Streeter. Both marriages took place on August 22. Congratulations!

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Fellowship Guild will meet at 8 P.M. Monday, September 14, at the home of Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 S. Fairfield Ave.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Louis Culbertson, 3702 Hiawath Tuesday, September 8 at 8 P.M. Mr. Harold Nordblom will serve as co-hostes. Program by Mrs. Edwin Hall, Devotions by Mrs. Paul Yentes.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. Wm. M. Crouse, 6502 S. Calhoun St., Tuesday afternoon, September 8 at 1:30 P.M. Worship by Mrs. David Hogg, Program by Mrs. Cecil Rice.

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Man's Chief business in the world whether he be a day laborer or a capitalist of industry, is to build a life and through it have a definite part in building the Kingdom of God.



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 10, 1959

Number 50

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Life's golden moments come far too infrequently, but come they will. When all is said and done, only the things man does for God will endure, all else will go the way of all the earth! What tragic words fall from the Master's lips as He surveys His unfaithful generation: "Now all you have left is your house — deserted!" (Matt. 23:38).

When we are realistic about our journey through this "vale of tears", what will we have left? Houses? Bank accounts? Pride and possessions? But apart from God — isolate and deserted! We will be thinking together this coming Sunday morning at 10:30 A.M. worship service on Jesus' warnings in the 23rd Chapter of the Gospel of Matthew.

"NINETY DAYS OF SHARING"

Yes, it's time for our "90 Days of Sharing" emphasis!! Some believed we ought to come into the homes of every member and urge your participation. But the response to this great membership has always been so wonderful in answer to known needs that it was decided to bring you the challenge, and await your response. Surely, the Word of God needs no soapbox oratory, no shouting campaigns, no cheap theatrical tricks, to enlist his support of His Father's Kingdom! During the next 90 days we urge your participation in the Building Fund above and beyond your regular participation.

In answer to several inquiries concerning the giving of the certificates, let us just say that a gift of a certificate is a gift of cash at this moment. They fall due and payable on November 15. Arrangements have been made to pay all who will need their investment. But how easily it would be for all of us to share in this venture of faith. Many have already given these certificates at great personal sacrifice! Only the Father knows how much the leadership of the church has appreciated such commitment. We can only say, "Thank you, and God bless you."

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 6

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	4	.50
Nursery Department	25	2.35
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	17	2.18
Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	40	3.97
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	27	4.66
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mrs. Victor Sterling Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	6	.70
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
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Ladies Bible Class	5	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	3.75
TOTALS	240	\$80.51

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express sincere sympathy to Mr. Ernest Pond and his family in their recent loss of his mother.

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YOU WILL NOTE—

MORNING WORSHIP NOW BEGINS AT 10:30 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL 9:15 A.M.

Fellowship Coffee Hour following Morning Worship in the Fellowship Hall.

ATTEND CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

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Thou shalt have no other Gods before me. —Exodus 20:3

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. —Exodus 20:8

Here are some of the activities that become "other gods" on the Lord's Day and at other times when they get preference by us over Sunday School and Church work and attendance, acts of Christian helpfulness, visiting the sick and heart broken, etc:

Business — profits — money — television — radio — movies — hunting — fishing — boating — laziness — newspapers — magazines — baseball — football — golfing — card playing — riding — racing — and many others.

It is easy to find ourselves in one or more categories shown above. Nothing should prevent obeying the Holy Law. There is a time and place for everything including other clean activities that interest us so much. Do not allow them to become other gods in your life. Forget self and live for others — to have real happiness — or shall we eventually hear again the words of Jesus:

"I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity." —St. Matthew 7:23

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Tested
**BY THEIR
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*"By their fruits ye shall
know them." Matt. 8:20*

The Fruits

Of a Loyal Christian Are

LOVE of God's people and His
Church.

SERVICE to Christ and to His
Church.

LIBERALITY in supporting His
Church and its pro-
gram.

To Christ

THE FIRST FRUITS

"WHAT CAN I DO"

The importance of the individual cannot be stressed too much in the matter of the church doing its job. There is so much that can be done and that must be done outside of the organized program of the church. "But," you say, "What can I do?"

Have you ever moved to a new community, knowing no one, feeling utterly lonely? Or, have you been stranded in a strange community on a week end? . . . Or again, remember some of those homesick weekends at school or college when a touch of home life would have lifted a pall of loneliness?

People are having just such experiences constantly. They crave fellowship. And they should be able to find it in the Christian Church, if anywhere. What can you do to help make your church the kind of church that seeks to serve the stranger in your midst?

1. Develop the art of greeting people, members and strangers alike, before and after the services.

2. Invite strangers to sit with you in the sanctuary.

3. Try tactfully to discover a stranger's name and address. Call upon him immediately. Give his name to the minister. Ask other lay people to call.

4. Be on the alert for new families moving into your neighborhood. Contact them immediately. If they have a Church affiliation, notify that Church of their presence.

5. Make it possible for strangers to meet other Church people. Invite them to your home.

—Taken from the King's Highway
Christian Church
Shreveport, La.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class will have a picnic at Shoaff Park next Sunday, September 13, following the Morning Worship Service. The picnic is in the form of a Pot-Luck. Members are asked to bring their table service and a hot or cold drink.

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\$1075.50

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING & EXECUTIVE

The Executive will meet in the Chapel 7:15 P.M. Tuesday evening, September 12. The General meeting will follow at 8:00 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Mr. Lar Brandon, of Auburn, will be guest speaker. His subject "Christian Churches in Town and Country Face the Future". Mr. Brandon is a member of the Indiana State Town and Country Commission.

The Higdon Circle is in charge of the Worship. Fellowship Guild, hospitality. Nelson Circle will serve refreshments.

Mrs. Max Finkhausen, new President will have charge of the business.

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The ESTHER Circle will meet with Mr. LeRoy Timbrook, Harlan, Ind. on Sunday afternoon at 4:30 P.M. September 13, for their first Fall meeting. A full attendance is requested. Husbands are invited.

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MISSIONS WORKSHOP

A Missions Workshop will be held September 23 at St. John's E. & R. Church 9:30 A.M. under the auspices of the United Council of Church Women. Women of our CWF are urged to attend this School of Missions.

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Reinhold Niebuhr is the author of the following prayer. As you await the time for personal meditation we suggest that you make it your prayer.

O God and Heavenly Father, grant us the serenity of mind to accept that which cannot be changed, the courage to change that which can be changed, and the wisdom to tell the one from the other, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF Fall Retreat will be at Camp Barbee on Saturday and Sunday, September 12, 13, closing at 2:00 P.M. Sunday. A number of our young folk are planning to attend this Retreat.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S RETREAT

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Twice this past week death came swiftly to friends of mine. It is life's way of reminding us that we are on a journey for God. We gather abiding treasures for our home, or we gather passing trinkets which God will not permit to enter into that higher realm of spiritual realities. Both of these beloved friends will be sorely missed, but they were "rich toward God" and share in the ongoing might of His eternal Kingdom. May God richly bless the continuing journey of their loved ones.

Jesus had a great deal to say about man and his eternal destiny, and He seemed to have one theme . . . "don't sell life for a mess of pottage, nor a kingdom of gold and power!" In Matthew we find recorded His estimate of the biggest success story of his town — "THOU FOOL!" Then comes His pointed reminder: "FOR A MAN'S REAL LIFE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HOW MUCH HE POSSESSES!" This will be my text for this coming Sunday morning.

The Ninety Days of Sharing got off to a good start, with some \$3,600 coming in on pledges and gifts. God bless all of you for sharing in this special effort. We urge those who have not indicated their desire to do so, and even if you have not indicated our response — just respond! It isn't absolutely necessary that you tell the Church office, though it would help immeasurably, but it is necessary that all of us pray for the success of this venture of faith; that each and every one of us pledge our personal presence and participation in the worship experiences of the church; and that we invite our friends and neighbors to our wonderful Church services.

Great churches are not born — they are made!
Helping or hindering?

Tuesday the 22nd and again on Tuesday 29 we are urging all Bible School Classes to have as many couples as possible meet at the Church for CHURCH LOYALTY MONTH CALLING! Let's all be GOOD NEIGHBORS FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH!

Don't You Want to be a Part?



**AN ACTIVE
GROWING
WITNESSING**

**Sunday
School**

We believe in a vital, energetic, working
religion . . . Won't you join us in that program?

WE'LL MEET YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF is having a Carry-in dinner, and Installation of Officers at Shoaff Park next Sunday evening, September 20, from 3:30 to 6:00 P.M. The new officers are: Caroline Baughman, Tom Ogles, Co-Presidents; Ellen Crowder, Sec'y-Treas.

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WEDDING BELLS

Miss Gladys McConahay and Perry J. Mellifont were married September 5, in the First Christian Church, Lafayette, Ind. We extend sincere congratulations and best wishes. Mrs. Mellifont is a member of this church.

Thou shalt have no other Gods before me.
—Exodus 20:3

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
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AMONG OUR SICK

Little Jane Thornbury has been reported a patient in Lutheran Hospital, on W. 4th.

Mrs. Ella Maxwell underwent surgery last Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our hearts are saddened at the passing away of Arthur S. Betz. He served the church faithfully and well. We shall miss him. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Betz in her hour of sorrow.

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

MY TASK — To be honest, to be kind; To earn a little and to spend a little less; To make upon the whole a family happier for his presence; To renounce when that shall be necessary and not be embittered; To keep a few friends, but those without capitulation — Above all, on the same grim condition to keep friends with himself — Here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

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JUST THINKING — As we pass beneath the hills which have been shaken by the earthquake and torn by convulsion, we find that periods of perfect repose succeed those of destruction. The pools of calm water lie clear beneath their fallen rocks, the water lilies gleam, and the reeds whisper among the shadows; the village rises again and its church tower, white through the stormy twilight, proclaims renewed appeal to His protection "in whose hand are all the corners of the earth, and the strength of the hills in His power."

—John Ruskin

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What our nation needs is a peace conference with the Prince of Peace.

—Survey Bulletin

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Church School Attendance	267
Regular Church Offering	830.06
Building Fund Offering	243.05
Church School Offering	76.42
90 Days of Sharing	390.00

Total Offerings	\$1539.53
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$3,613.00

IT COST TOO MUCH TO TITHE

Lord, you've sent no monthly statement
Among my bills galore . . .
And when I'm late with a payment
No collector's at my door
To remind me that I owe you
A tenth of all I own.
Through my pastor and my Bible
You've made your wishes known.

Lord, I find no easy payment
Plan on earth so fair.
That you would ask one-tenth of me
And leave nine-tenths my share.
So, gladly will I give my tithe
And a love-offering too;
Because I know it multiplies
Ten thousand times through you.

—Barbara Johnston

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Nothing is ours to keep for our self
Money, talent, time, whatever it may
that we possess, is only ours to use. T
is the great law written everywhere.
one owns anything for himself alone, c
no one can live to himself alone.

—Copied

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TWELVE THINGS TO LEARN:

The value of time
The need of perserverence
The pleasure of serving
The dignity of simplicity
The true worth of character
The power of kindness
The influence of example
The obligation of duty
The wisdom of economy
The virtue of patience
The nobility of labor
The teachings of Him who said,
"Learn of me."

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It was an inspiration to hear our great choir Sunday morning, and also the wonderful number by our quartet. The congregation is getting back to normal in size and soon we hope to find it difficult to seat the congregation.

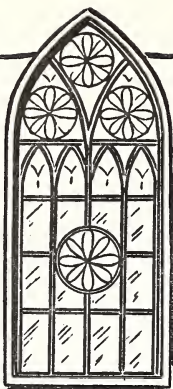
Another wonderful choir number this Sunday, and a solo by Mrs. Robert Cocherille, coupled with a sermon called: "LIFE'S ESSENTIAL IMAGE", is in store for our worshippers this coming Sunday. Hurry back, all of you, you are really missed!

OCTOBER has been designated CHURCH LOYALTY MONTH by many denominations around the nation. It is a concerted effort on behalf of Christ to re-enlist the Christian peoples of our land in the work and worship of Christ. Each denomination is asking ALL of its membership to attend ALL FOUR morning worship services during the month of October. As our church shares in this program it is our prayer that all of us will make every effort to be present at each of the four worship services.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will renew its fellowship on Saturday morning, October 24, at 8:00 A.M. One of the Christian laymen of our city, an active Gideon, will bring the meditation. Someone has asked how we are able to have so many men attend the early morning breakfast, and the answer — food for the mind, soul, and body. Put this on your agenda men!

Have you heard: A stranger in New York asked a real-gone bopster how he could get to Carnegie Hall. "Practice, man! Practice!"

The same answer can be given to find the real solution to any problem: Practice the art of being, what we often only claim to be.



For Today . . . and Tomorrow

Your church is the protecting wall around the American Way of Life . the most important rock in Democracy's foundation . Are You helping keep your church strong?

GOD'S CHURCH DEPENDS ON YOU

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

ELDERS: September 27

David Griggs — Eural Rose

DEACONS: for September

Donald C. Smith, Captain—K-9939

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Clarence Hendrickson

Melvin Evans

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

J. Frederic Smell

Charles Billiard

ASSOCIATE DEACONS: for September

A. E. Huddleston

Leland H. Higgins

Berton Purdy

Guy Mausteller

Whitney Thompson

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Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Forrest Hoover is a patient at Parview Hospital, Room 229.

Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau has been with a virus at her home this past week.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau and her family in the recent loss of her father Mr. Fred Gaskins.

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

In every time of silence, and also in the labor of the day, we look to Thee, O Christ, as that One who is for each and all of us "The Way, the Truth, and the Life" ever leading us to God the Father and His Righteousness.

Strengthen us in our resolve to follow Thee in Thought, and Word, and Deed. To follow Thee as we seek to know and do the Father's Will in His own Way and in His Time. Amen.

—Glenn Clark

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Nothing is ours to keep for our selves. Money, talent, time, whatever it may be that we possess, is only ours to use. This is the great law written everywhere. No one owns anything for himself alone, and no one can live to himself alone.

—Copied

OCTOBER 4 BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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September 20

	Att.	Off.
ies and Toddlers	8	.73
rsery Department	32	2.46
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
dergarten	25	2.94
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
mary Department	45	4.41
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
ior Department	42	5.51
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
ior High Department	12	1.13
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
h School Department	19	2.77
ohn Johnston		
e "58" Class	26	7.00
E. Weicker		
me-Double Class	40	18.61
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
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ohn Jefferies		
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ean	13	11.75
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TOTALS	335	\$83.47

JUNIOR CHURCH

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THE EMPTY SEAT

"It is always there, usually down in front. It is un-inspiring, non-paying, silent, but disturbing. It is the mortal enemy of the minister. It never helps with the singing, never responds to the invitation, it just sits there. It robs the preacher of his power, takes the joy out of the song, and steals the melody out of the music. It chills the saint and cheers the sinner. It doesn't whisper, it doesn't squirm, it never looks at the clock, it is mute. It never gives a smile of encouragement, nor a nod of appreciation. It is the visible and telling testimony that someone doesn't care. It is the evidence of spiritual degeneracy, a mark of decadence. It is the most expensive thing in the church. It advertises better than a billboard the indifference of church people. It is where the people who are there "IN SPIRIT" sit. It is a stabbing pain to the Son of God, a source of delight to Satan. It can't be removed. The only way to get rid of it is to fill it!

—selected by the
Youngstown Christian.

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CALLING FOR LOYALTY MONTH

Next Tuesday evening the members are again asked to come out and assist in the calling on our members, urging them to attend the services during the month of October. Will YOU be one to help in this service for your Church? Tuesday, September 29, 7:00 P.M.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday — September 20

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Church School Attendance	335
Regular Church Offering	800.96
Building Fund Offering	322.60
Church School Offering	83.47
90 Days of Sharing	200.00
Total Offerings	\$1407.03
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$5053.00

A PARABLE FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

Once upon a time there lived in a city a certain man who desired to make life worth living while on earth, and to go at last to heaven. The enemy of his soul sought long to get an advantage of him that he might destroy the man, but found none, for he was sincere and good.

Finally, however, the unrelenting tempter came to him and told him how busy he was and how long he had been working, and he was impressed when he listened to the tempter. Behold, the tempter said, "You have already done much for your church. It is time now to let others do the work, for some of them have done nothing in comparison to what you have done and you are very busy and you have earned right to rest." In this manner he was tempted by listening to the tempter.

So when the man was asked to teach a class, he declined and said for them to find someone else who was not so busy and when he was asked to serve on the Finance Committee, he refused for he had done this long ago and was so busy and someone else could do the work now. When he was urged to bring others to church that they might hear the gospel he said that just living a good life would be enough for now, because he was very busy and the preacher was being paid to run the church.

At last someone asked him to give liberally of his money but the tempter whispered again, "Let someone else do it this time, for you have done it before and you have earned the right to rest from supporting the church. Moreover, you are very busy giving to lots of other enterprises. Let others give now instead of you." And again he listened to the tempter.

In this manner he formed the habit of letting others do the work of Christ. Behold one day he died, and at the gates of heaven he heard the echo of his own words, "Let someone else enter in for behold you've been too busy."

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Volume 18

Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 1, 1959

Number 1

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

First, let me remind all the men of the Church that this Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. will begin this fall's series of MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFASTS! Our speaker for the devotional period is to be: MAURICE M. RUPP, President of Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Co. He is also the head of Gideons in this area, and will certainly bring an inspiring message. Women we solicit your support — chase those men away from the house (Minus their golf clubs) and send them on their way to the first MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST of the fall series!

Sunday morning is the first of the four CHURCH LOYALTY MONTH Sundays! I have only a sense of concern for people who miss a great worship service like ours this Sunday! The choir was its usual brilliant self, and Mrs. Robert Cocherille brought the congregation to a prayerful attitude with the offertory solo. The congregation was a great one! Great in its response to the singing, to the preaching, and great in numbers. What a pleasure it is to fellowship with such a wonderful congregation on this beautiful Lord's Day morning! I often feel confused as I try to figure out why people prefer to sit at home, play games, or just snooze away the loveliest hours of the entire week!

A modern prophet warns us, "The cause of true religion is advanced not by the churches becoming full of men, but by men becoming full of God!" This I also believe!

ATTEND EVERY SUNDAY DURING CHURCH LOYALTY MONTH

Sunday morning I shall speak on the subject: "FINDING GOD IN UNLIKELY PLACES". Won't you come and share with me in the exploration of this subject?

Bible School 9:15 A.M. (Assembly in the Sanctuary)

Worship Service 10:30 A.M.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

October 4

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A MESSAGE FOR YOU

GOD'S message is direct to your heart, from the throne of the Most High... Christ seeks to present that message to you. But it doesn't come special delivery. You have to call for it.

HEAR GOD'S MESSAGE IN HIS HOUSE SUNDAY

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The first meeting of the CMF will be Saturday morning, October 3, at 8:00 A.M. at the Church. Mr. M. M. Rupp, President Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company. We urge all men to be present.

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NEWS NOTES!

Mr. J. Fred Riethmiller, our member in Emily E. Flinn Home fell several days ago and sustained a badly bruised knee.

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'58 CLASS

Officers elected to serve in 1960 are: Orville Moody, president; Mrs. Ralph Church, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Thomas Thornbury, Sec'y.-Treas.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF Youth people will have a potluck supper Sunday evening at 5 o'clock at the Church, following with study, worship and recreation.

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Faith is not belief without proof but trust without reservations.

—Elton Trueblood.

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Strengthen us in our resolve to follow Thee in Thought, and Word, and Deed - To follow Thee as we seek to know and do the Father's Will in His own Way and in His Time. Amen.

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September 27

	Att.	Off.
ies and Toddlers	9	.85
ery Department	31	2.48
rs. James Hirschy		
rs. L. Max Finkhousen		
ergarten	20	1.16
rs. Ernest Pond		
rs. Robt. Hendricks		
rs. Harold Nordblom		
ary Department	38	3.10
rs. Wm. R. Love		
rs. Harold Addison		
ior Department	38	6.27
fr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
rs. Victor Sterling		
fr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
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Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
en's Class	11	6.75
TOTALS	309	\$90.44

FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. C. R. McMaken, 3022 South Wayne Ave., Friday evening, October 2, at 8:00 P.M.

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JUNIOR CHOIR

Junior Choir rehearsal will be held every Thursday evening from 4:15 to 5:15 P.M. at the Church.

BASKETBALL

Junior boys aged 11 to 14 and High School fellows aged 15 to 18 inclusive, interested in playing basketball in the Inter-church League this winter, are asked to meet at the Church, Monday night, October 5, at 7:30 P.M. for organization.

Jim Heavin, Coach

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JUNIOR CHURCH

There were 105 members present at Junior Church Services last Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. F. Marion Coburn will sponsor this group during October.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Fern Gray has been a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 220.

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SINCERE THANKS

Mrs. Arthur S. Betz wishes to take this means to thank all her friends and members in the Church who expressed sympathy with cards, flowers, and all the many kindnesses shown her at the time of her great sorrow. These expressions of sympathy were greatly appreciated and will be treasured.

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

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Church School Attendance	309
Regular Church Offering	724.45
Building Fund Offering	243.85
Church School Offering	90.44
90 Days of Sharing	150.00

Total Offerings1208.74

Pledges to date for 90 Days of
Sharing\$5153.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Byron Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird Ave. Wednesday morning, October 7, from 11 to 11 A.M. Pictures of our Mission School in Pabellon, Augs, Mexico will be shown.

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The Dr. Royal J. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. E. N. Schlatter, 926 Lake Ave. Wednesday afternoon, October 7 at 1: P.M. Worship by Mrs. Muriel Wilson, Program by Mrs. Robert Scott.

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Walter Birkhold, 221 W. Maple Grove Ave., Tuesday afternoon, October 6, 1:00 P.M. Each member is reminded bring an article for a "white elephant sale."

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Some books are for our information some for our inspiration; the Bible is for our transformation.

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BAKE SALE

The Montgomery Circle is having a Bake Sale at Penney's in Southgate Plaza, Saturday, October 3rd, from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. We urge your cooperation and support. Thank you!

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BUNDLES FOR BABIES

The plea this year for World Communion Day is for "Bundles for Babies". These are seriously needed in refugee camp mission stations, and areas where flood, earthquake or other disaster has struck. Small sheets, warm blankets, soiled wash cloths and towels, baby toiletries and any baby clothes are acceptable. Items should be clean and in good usable condition.

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Dear Christian Friends:

90 DAYS OF SHARING

Once again it is necessary to express our sheer admiration and joy at the response of the membership of this Church toward every opportunity to serve the Lord's Cause. The membership has already contributed \$5,472 in the 90 DAYS OF SHARING! This is truly remarkable, for several other large Bonds have been promised to the Church, and it would bring our offerings on this indebtedness to nearly \$8,000 during the first 90 days!

It seems so inadequate to say, "THANK YOU," to all those who so generously share their resources with the Kingdom of God! But the leadership of our Church wanted to express the gratitude of the Church for your support. All others who have not yet shared in this project are urged to contribute them to the Church are reminded that they will need to be in the Church office prior to November 15th! Merely sign them as they are signed on the front, have some friend sign his or her name as a witness to the signing, and turn them over to the Church office, prior to November 15th!

DISTRICT CONVENTION

This Sunday afternoon the Convention of Christian Churches of District I will be held here in Fort Wayne at the West Creighton Church from 2:00 P.M. through the evening service at 7:30 P.M.

Dinner will be served at the West Creighton Church at 5:30 P.M. Reservations must be in as soon as possible. If you would like to attend please call the church office at once! Cost for the dinner will be \$1.50, for registration 50¢.

Speakers: Rev. Monroe Schuster

Dr. Beauford A. Norris (Christian Theological Seminary, President)

Rev. Maxwell Webb, Minister at Kendallville

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Cecil Rice, 1819 Kentucky Avenue, Tuesday, October 13 at 1:30 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Walter Marks, Program by Mrs. Dale Parkerson.

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The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. C. D. Palmer, 2625 No. Wells St., Monday evening, October 12 at 6:30 P.M.

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Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Marian Duncan, Tuesday, October 13 at 8:00 P.M. Mrs. C. E. Buskirk, co-hostess. Program by Mrs. Harold Addison, Devotions by Mrs. Robert Rayl.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Mildred Hartman, 301. E. Fleming, Monday evening, October 12 at 8 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Chas. Speicher, Program by Miss Mildred Hutchinson.

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NOTES CLOTHES HANGERS!

The Junior Basketball Team are in need of new suits. To pay for their suits the boys are soliciting clothes hangers from our members. Please bring your extra hangers to the Church. Containers will be found in each of the entrance ways. Let us all rally to the support of our Junior Team. Mr. Jim Heavin and Mr. Claire Williams are co-chairmen of Basketball for the Church. Mr. Heavin is coach for the Junior Team, Mr. Williams will coach the High School Team.

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

O God, the Father of all mankind, we beseech Thee to guide by Thy Spirit the nations of the world. May selfishness be overcome by a desire to serve the common good. Grant to rulers and nations wisdom, patience, and strength to know and to do thy will, that peace and justice may be established among us for all generations. Amen.

—Henry Knox Sherrill

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CHI RHO

The Chi Rho's will meet Sunday afternoon at 4:30 for program planning and election of officers. Meeting will close at 5:30.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF Song Fest at 5:00 P.M. Sunday under the direction of William Wetzel, followed by Worship, discussion, recreation and refreshments.

Mr. J. R. Shockney, Youth Director

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L. P. Jacks

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SAVE LIVES BY SAVING OLD POSTAGE STAMPS

Old postage stamps can be turned into cash to provide food for hungry children in other lands. 100 ordinary commemorative stamps will bring 25¢. Special stamps bring much more, from 2¢ to \$1.50 each! Some of the following stamps will deliver 1,750 cups of milk!

Commemorative or Memorial stamps
Special Delivery stamps
Special Air mail stamps (except small 6c red and 7c blue)

Save on paper — cut or tear from envelope, leaving rim of paper around stamp. Do not cut, tear, or injure stamps — they cannot be used if even one perforation point is missing.

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SAVE THESE, THEY WILL BE CALLED FOR LATER!

Service Department
Christian Women's Fellowship

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 4

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	1.02
Nursery Department	18	1.65
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	26	1.89
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	35	3.66
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	42	6.02
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	24	3.90
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	21	2.86
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	23	10.00
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	39	19.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean Class	18	9.25
Progressive Class	31	13.30
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	20	16.65
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
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Church School Attendance	327
Regular Church Offering	1055.81
Building Fund Offering	436.07
90 Days of Sharing	222.00
Church School Offering	107.25

Total Offerings\$1821.13

Pledges to date for 90 Days of

Sharing\$5472.00

DISTRICT ONE CONVENTION OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Fall District Convention will be h
at West Creighton Avenue Christ
Church next Sunday afternoon beginn
registration at 2:00 P.M. The aftern
address will be given by Rev. Mon
Schuster, President of 1959-60 State C
vention and minister of our church at
derson. The Convention will carry o
the dinner hour at 5:30 P.M. \$1.50 per pla
Reservations for the dinner should be
to the host church not later than Frid
October 9. Phone H-3174. The spea
of the evening will be Reverend Maxw
J. Webb, of Kendallville. It will be a c
appointment if First Church is not w
represented at this Convention.

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AMONG OUR SICK!

Mrs. Eva Mosier fell about a week a
and broke both her knee caps. She
now in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 369

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Mr. J. J. McCarel sustained fractured i
in an automobile accident last week.
is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Little Larry Addison is in Lutheran H
pital for observation and possible surge

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William Miller has been a patient
Lutheran Hospital.

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SINCERE APPRECIATION

Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau and her fam
wish to take this means of expressing
deep appreciation and thanks to all v
remembered her with cards, flowers c
other kindnesses during her recent
reavement. These expressions of sy
pathy were greatly appreciated and sh
be remembered.

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It's easy to know when to stop giv
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November 1

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friend:

The 90 DAYS OF SHARING CONTINUES to be a blessing to our Building Fund. Each week one of our wonderful members indicated his gift of several thousand dollars towards the building fund, and several more the first of the year! Devotion such as his is what has made the First Christian Church a great Church! Over the years many, many of you have been a blessing to the cause of Christ through this Church. Each of you have given according to the ability you had to give, and this is the devotion that Christ seeks.

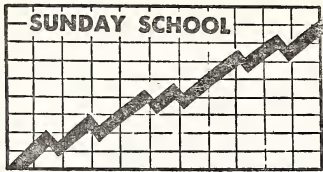
It needs to be pointed out also that the new members of this congregation have blessed us by their devotion manifested in so many ways, such as worship, Bible School attendance, regular sharing in the budget of the church, and sharing in special ways never asked. You have been the added strength this fellowship needed to help Christ's program to new heights. May God richly bless you all! (I must admit it is difficult not to write, "Y'all").

To date the gifts and pledges during the 90 Days of Sharing have totaled \$7,638! Thank you!

THE BIG FISHERMAN

The "Come-Double Class" of our Bible School is sponsoring the colored motion picture, **"THE BIG FISHERMAN"** in its premier showing the night of November 5th. The price of all tickets will be \$1.49. We are hoping to have 1,500 present! Will you join us? Plan to attend yourselves, and then why not take along some friends. You will be at this first showing in Fort Wayne by purchasing your tickets now. Mr. Robert L. is in charge of ticket sales.

Reminder! The Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held next Saturday at 8:00 A.M.



IT'S GROWING

● You are cordially invited to share in the ministry of our growing, happy, friendly

SUNDAY SCHOOL

● God's Power is unbounded. His love is everlasting. His strength will keep you.

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

October 18

ELDERS: Floyd Morrical — Rolland Ripple

DEACONS: for October —

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If you want to follow Jesus Christ, you must follow Him to the ends of the earth for that is where He is going.

—Robert Speer

NOTES

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The Junior Basketball Team are in need of new suits. To pay for their suits the boys are soliciting clothes hangers from our members. Please bring your extra hangers to the Church. Containers will be found in each of the entrance ways. Let us all rally to the support of our Junior Team. Mr. Jim Heavin and Mr. Clair Williams are co-chairmen of Basketball for the Church. Mr. Heavin is coach for the Junior Team, Mr. Williams will coach the High School Team.

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CHI RHO and C. Y. F.

Both the Chi Rho and CYF groups will meet for a "song fest" next Sunday evening at 5:00 P.M. with Wm. Wetzel as leader. This will be followed by Worship Study and recreation. Mr. Wm. Frank will sponsor the Chi Rho Group and Mr. Jim Shockney is in charge of CYF.

NOVEMBER 1

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BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 11

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Infants and Toddlers	10	.85
Nursery Department	21	2.48
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	28	2.75
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	39	4.40
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	43	6.14
Mrs. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mrs. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Senior High Department	27	4.19
Mrs. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
Adult School Department	24	3.51
John Johnston		
"58" Class	31	11.25
E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	44	22.00
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Senior Class	28	5.65
Progressive Class	33	15.80
Paul D. Rice		
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J. Young		
Elmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The CWF Executive meeting will be held on Monday evening, October 19 at 7:45 P.M. in the Church Parlor.

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ANNUAL HARVEST INGATHERING

The Service Department of CWF will sponsor this annual trip to the Emily E. Flinn Home at Marion on Tuesday, October 20.

Anyone who is interested in going (and we would appreciate a large group) is welcome. Gifts of food staples and money will be taken. These may be brought to the church October 18. Food may left in a container in Fellowship Hall; cash gifts should be given to Mrs. Hugh Rice or Mrs. Vaughn. A short program will be presented to the residents, with visiting completing the afternoon. The CWF will also take cakes and ice cream for the residents' supper.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ella Maxwell and Mrs. Eva Mosier are still patients in St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. Richard W. Baker is a patient in St. Mary's Hospital, Room 2-162, Rochester, Minn.

Our prayers for these folk will be appreciated.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Chancel flowers last week were the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Egly in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

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Chancel flowers this week are the gift of Miss Ethel Shroyer and Mrs. Donald Smith in loving memory of their mother.

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Sunday, October 11

Church Worship Attendance	391
Church School Attendance	368
Regular Church Offering	892.38
Building Fund Offering	225.62
90 Days of Sharing	30.00
Church School Offering	90.58

Total Offerings\$1238.58

Pledges to date for 90 Days
of Sharing\$7638.00

PUBLIC TURKEY DINNER

The Christian Women's Fellowship are putting on a PUBLIC DINNER, Friday, November 6, from 5 to 7 P.M. in the Church Dining Hall. Dinner \$1.50 per plate. Reservations must be in not later than the 4th. Call your reservations in to Mrs. W. Love, H-1615, or the Church Office. Mrs. Love also has charge of ticket sales.

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CHI RHO DISTRICT MEET

The Chi Rho Young people are holding a District Meet at the Central Christian Church, Elkhart on Sunday, November 6. We urge our Chi Rho's to arrange to attend this meeting. Transportation will be provided.

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HALLOWEEN PARTY

'58 Class and Come-Double
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Let's all go to the party! A Halloween and Masquerade party will be held October 24 in Pond Pavilion at Franke Park at 8:00 P.M. with unmasking at 9:00 P.M. Prizes will be awarded for the best costume. The Come-Double Class is hosting the '58 Class. Refreshments will be served.

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TAKE TIME

Take time to work —
It is the price of success.
Take time to think —
It is the source of power.
Take time to play —
It is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read —
It is the foundation of wisdom.
Take time to worship —
It is the highway of reverence.
Take time to be friendly —
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to dream —
It is hitching your wagon to a star.
Take time to love and be loved —
It is the privilege of the Gods.

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Dear Christian Friends:

Our hearts rejoice at First Christian Church over the thrilling response we are giving to our "90 Days of Sharing". This past week Mr. Sigrist again showed the great generosity which has always been a part of his life. He gave to the Church Building fund the sum of \$4,000! I have no words of gratitude equal to the task of thanking Mr. Sigrist and all the host of others who have also shared in a most generous way. A friend of the church, Mr. Arthur Klæhn, also contributed a \$1,000 bond this past week to the Building Fund. We mention these names only because we need to remind the membership that wonderful things are happening each week at your Church!

Remember the show "THE BIG FISHERMAN" will be shown on November 5th. The tickets are selling for \$1.49, and all seats are reserved. So plan now to help the HOME DOUBLE CLASS sell out the house. Their profits will be used for Kingdom purposes, so let's all pitch in and help.

The next men's prayer breakfast will be on the morning of October 31, at 8:00 A.M. That is REFORMATION DAY, and a suitable program is being planned. We would like to have at least 50 men present for this special program.

School for Christian Living begins the first Sunday evening in November. The adult section will study the BIBLE. The minister will teach a course that will prove helpful to all who are interested in knowing more about the Word of God.

Sunday's Sermon: "The Place of the Bible in Our Faith"

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Babies and Toddlers	11	.62
Nursery Department	23	2.02
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	29	2.95
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Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Officers	4	
TOTALS	344	\$97.80

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C. Y. F. COMMISSION MEETING

District One CYF Commission meet will be held Wednesday evening, October 28, at 8 o'clock at the First Christ Church, Kendallville.

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U. N. I. C. E. F.

The CYF will meet at the church Sunday evening at 5:00 P.M. and will go from there to make calls.

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On November 1st, the CYF will have Hayride. The group will meet at the home of Mr. Schoenemann, Lower Hunting Road, across from the Orchard Ridge Country Club, at 6:00 P.M. The charge is 75¢ per person. There will be a well roast following the hayride.

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is YOU

Sanctified by God's Presence,
Your Church Represents the
Cumulative Effort of its
members.

If Every Member Were Just
Like You, Would God be
Proud of the Result?

GOD NEEDS YOU
YOU NEED GOD

BE READY TO SERVE
WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

October 25

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Patient: "I'm having trouble with my memory."

Doctor: How long has this been going on?

Patient: How long has what been going on?

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Tickets may be secured during the Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall.

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PRAYER THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Lord,

In the hurry of everyday life, and of service for men,

We would snatch, again and again,

A hundred times a day,

The brief and golden leisure

To glance thus up to Thy face,

To catch once more the sound of Thy voice,

To feel anew the touch of Thy hand,

To know again that we live in Thee.

Amen.

—John S. Hoyland

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CHOIR

November 1st will be Festival Choir Sunday. We urge all who wish to sing to be at practice Thursday, October 29.

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20 TITHING THOUGHTS

1. The way you handle God's money tests your maturity as a Christian.
2. To the tither giving is a grace, not a disgrace.
3. The man who just can't live on nine-tenths may have to live on less.
4. Love lifts tithing from an obligation to a privilege.
5. It is better to be a tither blessed than a hoarder distressed.

(To be continued)

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

This year's season for School for Christian Living will begin Sunday evening, November 1st, at 5:30 P.M. A series of Bible lectures will be the program in the coming weeks. Fellowship and snack time will have their place in the evening's agenda. This meeting is for members and their friends.

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Church School Attendance	344
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Building Fund Offering	266.00
90 Days of Sharing	2125.00
Church School Offering	92.80

Total Offerings\$3477.48

Pledges to date for 90 Days
of Sharing\$9638.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BUNDLES FOR BABIES

The plea this year for World Commu-
Day is for "Bundles for Babies". The
are seriously needed in refugee cam-
mission stations, and areas where flo-
earthquake or other disaster has stru-
. . . Small sheets, warm blankets, s-
wash cloths and towels, baby toiletri-
and any baby clothes are acceptab-
Items should be clean and in good use-
condition.

Perhaps those who do not have the
items would like to help with the shippi-
charges which amount to 8¢ per pound

You may bring your contributions
the church October 18 or 25, when a b-
will be provided in the Fellowship Ha-

Our church is joining with thousands
others in this united appeal. Let us
well represented.

Mrs. Hugh Rice, Service Chairman, CV

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SOME MARKS OF A GOOD LAYMAN

He treats church finances at least
honorably as he treats the phone and m-
bills.

He devotes his professional, business,
mechanical training and talent to t-
church.

He gives at least as much time to t-
church as he does to his lodge or servi-
club.

He recognizes the value of just occup-
ing a church pew faithfully.

He doesn't hesitate to commend t-
pastor when he thinks he deserves it.

He knows why he is a Christian a-
why he belongs to his particular cong-
gation and communion.

He sees that if the church is worth k-
longing to, it is worth asking others
join.

—Copied.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Let me remind the men that an exciting morning is being planned in commemoration of PROTESTANT HERITAGE DAY, on October 31, at 8:00 A.M. This is the day that we are reminded that all men are "priests of God", and that all professions are sacred to God! The men's quartet will bring several numbers, and Robert Cocherille will present several sacred numbers. Three of our members will present their thoughts on the idea of A Layman's Expression of Christianity in His Business World. The speakers will be:

Mr. L. R. Musselman, Kroger Executive

Mr. Maxwell Smith, Attorney

Mr. Jack Weicker, Teacher

Romane Cole will read the scripture.

Remember: BREAKFAST BEGINS AT 8:00 A.M. Ladies send those men on their way to the MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 31!

NOVEMBER 1st — SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The first of our nights in the School for Christian Living will be held Sunday, November 1st, at 6:00 P.M. The first hour will be devoted to a study of the Bible in one of the classes.

Adults: taught by the Minister

C. Y. F.: taught by Mr. Shockney

Chi Rho: Mr. Franklin

Ages 8-10: Mrs. Harold Addison will conduct a Bible Quiz prepared by the minister. They will be asked to fill in the answers (yes or no; true or false) to 20 questions which will center this week on Jesus himself, his birth, attitudes toward people, etc. These will be collected, and the oral question and answer period will begin in the form of an old fashioned spelling bee. In January the BOY and GIRL WHO MAKES THE HIGHEST AVERAGES ON THE PREPARED QUESTIONS WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A LOVELY BIBLE IN THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE!

Ages 3-4: Film Strip . . . BUSHY, THE SQUIRREL (Story of Rich Fool).

Ages 5-7: Film Strip and discussion: AUTUMN IS HERE.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

November 1st

ELDERS: William Crouse — David Hogg

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. John Laymon, 5018 So. Webster St., Friday evening, November 6 at 8 P.M.

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THE BIG FISHERMAN!

The Come-Double Class is sponsoring the opening night performance of "The Big Fisherman" which is to be shown at the Clyde Theater on Thursday, November 5 from 8 to 11 P.M.

It is the story of Simon Peter. The impact of Jesus' teaching upon His times, and the example set by Simon for all men to find completion in Christ.

Tickets are \$1.49 per person. For information for acquiring tickets, please contact Robert Rayl, S-2272; Paul Yentes, S-3613; William Wetzell, K-9727, or you may call the Church Office, H-6222.

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Tickets may be secured during the Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall.

All seats reserved. Buy your tickets from any class member or Church Office, and then exchange for reserved seat at Clyde Theatre.

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He that would govern others must first be lord of himself, and he only is lord of himself who is consciously and habitually the servant of God.

—Alexander MacLaren

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Your ballot is your birthright as an American citizen. Do not despise it.

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

NOVEMBER 6th, 1959

SIMPSON METHODIST CHURCH

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BUNDLES FOR BABIES

The plea this year for World Community Day is for "Bundles for Babies". The are seriously needed in refugee camp mission stations, and areas where flood earthquake or other disaster has struck. . . . Small sheets, warm blankets, so wash cloths and towels, baby toiletries and any baby clothes are acceptable. Items should be clean and in good usable condition.

Perhaps those who do not have the items would like to help with the shipping charges which amount to 8¢ per pound.

See Mrs. Hugh Rice, Service Chairman

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Charles Fuchshuber, Thursday evening November 5th. Business will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. Devotions by Mrs. Robert Clipp, Program by Mrs. Irene Cline. The group will hold a Silent Auction.

The Royal J. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Scott, 1617 Edgewater Ave. Wednesday afternoon, November 4th 1:30 P.M. Mrs. Muriel Wilson is co-hostess. Worship by Mrs. Arthur Betz, Program by Mrs. W. H. Imbody.

The Byron Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird West Wednesday morning, November 4th, at 9:00 A.M.

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PUBLIC TURKEY DINNER

The Christian Women's Fellowship is putting on a PUBLIC DINNER, Friday, November 6, from 5 to 7 P.M. in the Church Dining Hall. Dinner \$1.50 per plate. Reservations must be in not later than the 4th. Call your reservations in to Mrs. W. Love, H-1615, or the Church Office. Mr. Love also has charge of ticket sales.

Do you not teach your children to say "Thank you" for what they receive? We are the children of God, and He demands of us that we shall not take anything He gives us as a matter of course but in a spirit of thankfulness.

—Baring - Gould

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Some people grumble because God placed thorns among roses, yet never thank Him for the roses among the thorns.

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PRAYER THOUGHT FOR WEEK

In every time of silence, and also in the labor of the day, we look to Thee, O God, as that One who is for each and of us "The Way, The Truth, The Life", leading us to God the Father and Righteousness.

Strengthen us in our resolve to follow Thee in Thought and Word and Deed — follow Thee as we seek to know and do the Father's Will in His own Way and in His Time. Amen. —Glenn Clark

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Klingshirm will sponsor the **Primary Workshop** for month of November. The Workshop meets during the Morning Worship hour.

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CLEAN-UP

The men are asked to come prepared to help with cleaning up the grounds Saturday morning following the Men's Fellowship Breakfast.

Bill Love, Chairman

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20 TITHING THOUGHTS

(Continued)

God sees the heart not the hand, the giver not the gift, the love not the label.

A lukewarm Christian makes a good bench warmer, but a poor heart warmer.

Thetither's troubles are seldom money. The finest thing in life is not getting but giving.

Christian stewardship begins with tithing.

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CLOTHES HANGERS!

The Junior Basketball Team are in need of new suits. To pay for their suits they are soliciting clothes hangers from members. Please bring your extra hangers to the Church. Containers will be placed in each of the entrance ways. Let us all rally to the support of our Junior Team. Mr. Jim Heavin and Mr. Claire Williams are co-chairmen of Basketball for the Church. Mr. Heavin is coach for the Junior Team, Mr. Williams will coach the High School Team.

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CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 25

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	7	.71
Nursery Department	24	1.77
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	25	2.40
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	44	5.26
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	38	6.54
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mrs. Victor Sterling		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	25	3.80
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	19	4.00
John Johnston		
The "58" Class	26	9.09
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	48	28.25
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean Class	19	7.65
Progressive Class	30	17.69
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Delmas Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	13	3.35
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	3.00
Officers	1	
TOTALS	333	\$94.51

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5:30 P.M. School for Christian Living.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, October 25

Church Worship Attendance	355
Church School Attendance	333
Regular Church Offering	680.98
Building Fund Offering	151.50
90 Days of Sharing	129.00
Church School Offering	94.51

Total Offerings\$1055.99
Pledges to date for 90 Days
of Sharing\$9638.00

CHI RHO DISTRICT MEET

The Chi Rho Young people are holdin
a District Meet at the Central Christic
Church, Elkhart on Sunday, November
We urge our Chi Rho's to arrange to c
attend this meeting. Transportation will b
provided.

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The CHI RHO Youth are selling deliciou
MIXED NUTS: 15 oz. cans \$1.00; 6 oz. can
50¢. Watch for Booth in Fellowship Ha
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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

On November 1st, the CYF will have
Hayride. The group will meet at the hon
of Mr. Schoenemann, Lower Huntingto
Road, across from the Orchard Ridg
Country Club, at 6:00 P.M. The charg
is 75¢ per person. There will be a wein
roast following the hayride.

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DO NOT LET YOURSELF

WORRY when you are doing your be
HURRY when success depends upon a
curacy,

THINK evil of a friend until you hav
the facts,

BELIEVE a thing is impossible witho
trying it,

WASTE time on peevish and peevir
matters.

IMAGINE that good intentions are
satisfying excuse.

HARBOR bitterness in your soul towa
God or man.

—From the College Corner

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Ella Maxwell is now a patient
Room 573, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Harry Wilson is a patient in Ro
415, St. Joseph Hospital.

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STORK NEWS

Susan came to live with Mr. and M
H. R. Meadows, October 23, 1959. Be
wishes to this fine family.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere syn
pathy to Mrs. C. F. Durfee in the rece
loss of her brother. Burial was last S
urday in Leipsic, Ohio.

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

November 1

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Dear Christian Friends:

Only the phrase, "truly inspiring," can adequately describe the worship experience of this past Sunday morning! The Church was filled with eager and expectant worshippers, the choir filled the entire choir loft and the special number was wonderful, and then Miss Carol Purdy filled our hearts with a beautiful violin solo. Truly it was a great experience of worship. I personally went away filled with a rich sense of His presence, and with a quiet determination to be a better person in His Kingdom. Many are confident that theirs was a similar experience!

The SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING got off to a grand start. There were 80 adults in the Bible Study section, and the ladies outlasted the men in a "Bible Bee." There are two questions we shall ask in the adult section Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M.:

1. Which well-known Psalm of praise contains the line: "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving"?
2. Of the ten lepers healed by Jesus only one thanked Him. Where was this man from?

The Questions asked in the class in which the ages are to be 8-10 will center around the first 5 chapters of Matthew. Parents . . . let's help our young students to study these chapters. All did quite well this past Sunday.

The Bible School is continuing to grow. There were at least 387 in attendance last Sunday, and an offering of \$170 plus for the Bldg. Fund. We will reach that 500 mark real soon! Will you help us?

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- 9:15 A.M. Bible School
- 10:30 A.M. Morning Worship
- 5:30- 6:30 P.M. School for Christian Living (Study Period)
- 6:30- 7:30 P.M. Snack Time Fellowship
- Sunday's Sermon: "Three Windows Opening Toward God"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 1

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	1.00
Nursery Department	17	1.60
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	22	1.83
Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	50	5.25
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	44	7.05
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mrs. Victor Sterling Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
Junior High Department	28	3.41
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
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John Johnston		
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J. E. Weicker		
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Berean Class	20	4.81
Progressive Class	35	16.75
Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Delmas Young Elmer Darwachter Mrs. Paul Truby		
Friendly Class	23	65.62
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	8	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	8.05
Officers	4	
TOTALS	387	\$171.89

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers last week were given by Mrs. Ethel Richhart in memory of her son, Donald.

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CHI RHO

50¢. Watch for Booth in Fellowship Hall. The CHI RHO Youth are selling delicious **MIXED NUTS**: 15 oz. cans \$1.00; 6 oz. cans 50¢.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

O God, who art the truth; we pray thee to teach us step by step what we do not know, to preserve in us that which we do know, to correct us when mistaken, to strengthen us when we fail, and to deliver us from all that is false.

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10 ASPECTS OF FAMILY LIFE

1. God created families and is their God. He cares what happens to them and is in them.
2. The Christian Religion provides a unique and indispensable source of family strength.
3. Churches are obligated by the Gospel to consider all families their responsibility.
4. For their own fulfillment, families require a church home and active participation in the parish life of the local church.
5. Home and family influences are primary and basic in the growth of character and in the development of personality and Christian faith.
6. Problems are normal and desirable in family life, most of them being related to growth, science, and/or love in the home.
7. Christian families have problems to solve and need help from their churches and from agencies whose services churches can secure for families.
8. The Gospel becomes increasingly relevant to persons and to daily life as churches meet family needs.
9. Christian worship, faith, redemption, forgiveness are especially significant in family relationships and groups.
10. The Bible, rightly understood, provides families with authoritative moral and spiritual guidance.

—Richard Lentz



Tithing
HELPS
YOU
BUILD A LIFE
For God

The blessings that come
from God are the true
rewards to the tither.

*"see that ye abound in this
grace..." 2 Cor. 8:7*

**FIRST HONOR GOD
WITH THE TITHE**

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God about your troubles when...
they seem too much to bear...
put your faith and confidence...
in His Almighty care...
God to be your counselor...
and lend His timely aid...
and let Him know you need His Grace...
to really make the grade...
always keep in mind that He...
expects some help from you...
overcome your problems and...
to make your dreams come true...
and gladly gives encouragement...
to those who do their best...
and whose unfailing trust in Him...
is fervently expressed.

—James J. Metcalf

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All the doors that lead inward to the
secret place of the Most High are doors
outward — out of self — out of smallness
out of wrong.

—George MacDonald

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

November 8

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20 TITHING THOUGHTS

(Continued)

11. The finest thing in life is not getting but giving.
12. The bigger the Christian the bigger the gift.
13. Nine-tenths goes farther with God's blessing than ten-tenths without it. If you don't believe it, try it!
14. "God's not mine" is the true Christian attitude.
15. There are two kinds of church members: Those who give to live and those who live to give. Which kind are you?

(To be continued)

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IN SYMPATHY

We were grieved to learn of the death of Mr. Fred Riethmiller last week. He was a member of the family at the Emily Flinn Home in Marion. Mr. Riethmiller was for many years a loyal member of this church and served faithfully as Elder.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 1

Church Worship Attendance	445
Church School Attendance	387
Regular Church Offering	1,016.85
Building Fund Offering	397.85
90 Days of Sharing	120.00
Church School Offering	171.89
School for Christian Living	30.02

Total Offerings\$1,736.1
Pledges to date for 90 Days
of Sharing\$10,038.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Fellowship Guild will meet at the Church Monday evening, November 9, 8 P.M. Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull and Miss Anita Fitch are co-hostesses. Program by Miss Ethel Shroyer.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Paul Yentes, 3301 Sandpoint Pk. Tuesday evening, November 10, at 8 P.M. Mrs. Edwin Hall and Mrs. Paul Roth are co-hostesses. Program by Mrs. Wm. Wetzel, Devotions by Mrs. Jerry Brubaker.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. Edward H. Ashton, 1006 Runnion Avenue Tuesday afternoon, November 10 at 1:30. Worship by Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, Program by Mrs. Cecil Rice.

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NOTES

18 members of the Christian Women's Fellowship, 4 men and a child, visited to Emily E. Flinn Home last month. A fine program was given by the women. Gift of cakes, ice cream, food and \$70.40 were presented to the guests in the Home. In all it was a delightful day!

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SAVE LIVES BY SAVING OLD POSTAGE STAMPS

Old postage stamps can be turned in for cash to provide food for hungry children in other lands. 100 ordinary commemorative stamps will bring 25¢. Special stamps bring much more, from 2¢ to \$1.50 each. 100 of some of the following stamps will deliver 1,750 cups of milk!

Commemorative or Memorial stamps
Special Delivery stamps
Special Air mail stamps (except small 6c red and 7c blue)

Leave on paper — cut or tear from envelope, leaving rim of paper around stamps. Do not cut, tear, or injure stamps — the point is missing if even one perforation point is missing.

SAVE THESE, THEY WILL BE CALLED FOR LATER!

Service Department
Christian Women's Fellowship

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December 8

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What a privilege to be in an inspiring service of worship like ours was this past Sunday morning! This congregation is an inspiration to its minister, to the choir, to the elders and deacons, and to the Bible School teachers — I know, for they have told me so repeatedly! You respond so beautifully to the great music our choir provides and to the message of the morning, that it is a privilege to serve in this type of atmosphere. The past two Sundays have crowded our space to capacity and we are of the opinion that soon we will have S.R.O. (standing room only)! We who serve would love to have you force us into two morning worship services in order to accommodate the people! Try it Sunday!

MEN, the Prayer Breakfast will meet this Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. The breakfast and fellowship of praying men will be over promptly at 9:00 A.M., but the enrichment will go on beyond our days . . .

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE — 8:00 A.M.

On Thanksgiving morning we will have our annual Thanksgiving Day Service of worship. This great day came into being about an altar, and it will continue to bless our land and homes only when we begin the day with THANKS-GIVING to God, and then turn from the altar to go into the day with gratitude for all our blessings — family, home, friends, God and Christ, the Church, etc.

The HOLYday must come before the HOLIDay, or else it will be a HOLLOWday! (By the way, the C.Y.F. will serve a breakfast of bacon and eggs starting at 7:00 A.M. in Fellowship on Thanksgiving Day. Soooo . . . Bring the family to a fine breakfast at the Church . . . then Stay for Worship!)

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE:	Bible School for All Ages	9:15 A.M.
	Morning Worship	10:30 A.M.
	School For Christian Living	5:30 A.M.

Sunday's Sermon: "FACING LIFE WITH A LEAD SINKER"

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20 TITHING THOUGHTS

(Continued)

16. Love is loftier than land; grace is greater than gain; tithing is truer than things.
17. Tithing puts wings on your love.
18. Your gifts can never equal God's.
19. Tithing lifts living to loving obedience.
20. Giving is a blessing not a burden, a service not a sacrifice.

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BASKETBALL

Our Junior-Hi Team will play West Creighton Junior-Hi Saturday, November 14, at 1:00 P.M. in St. John's E. & R. Church. Come out and watch our boys play their first game of the season!

—Jim Heavin, Coach.

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CWF RUMMAGE SALE — NOVEMBER 28

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O Lord of the wide earth and the open sky, and of all fruitful silence, lift up our hearts to see beyond the narrow limits of our words and usual habits, that we may be ready for the coming of thy blessing. Prepare us by the wonder of mighty things, of stars and seas, and all inner loveliness, to stand at that threshold where the beauty of thy holiness reveals itself in endless mercy and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

— Samuel H. Miller

THANKS and APPRECIATION I

The Come Double Class members wish to take this means of thanking all of the friends who helped to make the presentation of the "Big Fisherman" such a success.

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CWF — WOMAN'S DAY — DECEMBER

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Curtis Harts is a patient in Joseph's Hospital, Room 372.

Little Bonnie Addison is a patient Lutheran Hospital, Room 222.

Martin Wagner suffered a stroke a week and is a patient in St. Joseph Hospital, Room 311.

Mr. J. R. Coar has been ill at his home

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STORK NEWS

A little daughter was born to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Gardner at St. Joseph's Hospital on November 6. Mrs. Irene Cline the proud grandmother.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF will prepare and serve breakfast on Thanksgiving morning from 7 to 8 A.M. preceding the Thanksgiving Service at 8 A.M. They will serve bacon, eggs, toast and coffee for 50¢. You may order any combination from these items of food that you prefer for your breakfast. The youth have tickets to sell. They will need your reservation in advance.

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—George MacDonald

DECEMBER 6 . . . BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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dergarten	29	3.44
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mary Department	51	4.91
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
ior Department	45	7.08
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mrs. Victor Sterling Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wetzel		
ior High Department	28	3.43
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John Johnston		
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en's Class	12	6.50
fficers	2	
TOTALS	389	\$103.71



A MESSAGE FOR YOU

GOD'S message is direct to your heart, from the throne of the Most High . . . Christ seeks to present that message to you. But it doesn't come special delivery. You have to call for it.

HEAR GOD'S MESSAGE IN HIS HOUSE SUNDAY

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

This year's season for School for Christian Living began Sunday evening, November 1st. A series of Bible lectures will be the program in the coming weeks. Fellowship and snack time will have their place in the evening's agenda. This meeting is for members and their friends.

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CHI RHO

The CHI RHO Youth are selling delicious **MIXED NUTS**: 15 oz. cans \$1.00; 6 oz. cans 50¢. Watch for Booth in Fellowship Hall.

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The human race is divided into two classes — those who go ahead and do something and those who sit still and inquire, "Why wasn't it done the other way?"

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

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COAT HANGERS!

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 8

Church Worship Attendance	435
Church School Attendance	389
Regular Church Offering	936.97
Building Fund Offering	368.70
90 Days of Sharing	226.00
Church School Offering	103.71
School for Christian Living	22.71

Total Offerings\$1635.38
Pledges to date for 90 Days
of Sharing\$10,378.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive Committee of the General Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF) will meet at 1:15 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Byron Spice Circle is in charge of Worship; Program to "Bring the Brighter Day"; Hospitality McGavran Circle; refreshments by Kepple Circle.

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UNITED CLOTHING APPEAL

(Good Clothing Desperately Needed)

Thin out your dresser drawers — clear your closets! Those unused and grown garments are desperately needed among disaster-stricken, destitute, homeless refugees! Last year requests from all parts of the world totaled times what was actually received! Give used wearable clothing, especially warm clothing for men, women and children, urgently needed.

A piece of cardboard for a bed, with a newspaper for a cover will not keep homeless street sleepers warm . . . there are many street sleepers! How much unused bedding have you, take up space?

The goal of 10,500,000 pounds of clothing this year for the Church World Service is gigantic but if every member helps can be reached! It does cost 8¢ a pound to ship this, so if you have no clothing or bedding, would you help with charges?

Bring your boxes or packages to church next Sunday, November 15 or anytime during that week, or the following Sunday, November 22. A table will be set up in the Fellowship Hall for the contributions. Cash should be given to Mrs. Vaught or Mrs. Hugh Rice.

—Service Department,
Christian Women's Fellowship

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THANK YOU FOR THE LAYETTES

A big "thank-you" to all those who contributed toward the "Bundles for Babies." Many gave cash with which ten layettes were purchased. Others gave several hours of time sewing on the little garments, and many others brought good used baby garments and bedding which they no longer used. There were over 400 items weighing 32 lbs. These were taken to the World Community Luncheon where many churches brought similar "bundles".

"In as much as you have done it for the least of these, my brethren, you have done it unto me."

—Service Department
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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Did you remember the UNITED CLOTHING APPEAL? Good clothing is in desperate need in vast areas of the world. In some countries the children take turns wearing coats outside, while some stay inside. They take turns having their clothes washed, that is, one half goes to bed while their clothing is being washed, and the other half wears the clothing of their friends. LAST YEAR THE REQUESTS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD WERE **TEN TIMES** WHAT WAS ACTUALLY RECEIVED! Don't let good, warm clothing clutter up your house when it is not being used! Warm the bodies, warm yes, and hearts as well, of the men and women, boys and girls, of our needy world, by sharing our unneeded surplus with their desperate need.

SATURDAY MORNING THE MEN ARE NEEDED to help put up the lights on back of the church facing the parking lot. The men who can help are urged to be here and let's light up our parking area so our ladies need not come in the dark of night to their meeting, and none of us need fear the mud puddles which will stand revealed in the light. Didn't you step in some unseen puddle last fall? I did many times. So did some of your wives! Let's help get up the lights this Saturday morning.

The Church was saddened by the sudden passing of Mr. C. J. Busch. We wish for Mrs. Busch the peace that passes all understanding. May God's peace in Jesus Christ be hers in abundance.

ARE YOU MAKING PLANS TO SHARE IN THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING? The entire offering which is taken up through the Bible School this coming Sunday morning will be given to missions. This is one of only four special days which are used to support Christian missions. Your help is needed wherever our minds can reach. Be blessing to some one today! Share in the THANKS-GIVING offering for OTHERS.

Remember that on THANKSGIVING DAY the C.Y.F. will serve breakfast at 7:00 and that the Annual Thanks-Giving service will be held in the sanctuary at 8:00-9:00 A.M.

Sunday's Sermon: "GIVING THANKS OR BEING THANKFUL?"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 15

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	11	.86
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Kindergarten	22	2.08
Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	32	3.86
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	41	7.51
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TOTALS	366	\$97.68

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Men's, women's and children's clothir especially warm clothing, is much in c mand. If the people have homes, ma do not have heating facilities. The or warmth comes from rags, bits of c blankets, and from other bodies huddl together trying to get warm! So ma homes are cold, bitter cold.

You will find a box in the Fellowsh Hall for your contribution, Sunday, N vember 22. Cash gifts of 8¢ per shipping charges, should be given to M Vaught or Mrs. Hugh Rice.

"Freely ye have received, freely give

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CWF — WOMAN'S DAY — DECEMBER

Mrs. Roland Huff of Indianapolis will our Guest Speaker on Woman's Day. M Huff is a former fraternal minister Disciples of Christ churches in Gre Britain, serving with her husband in Gre Britain from 1955 to 1958 as ministers the Burnage Church at Manchester, En land.

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Thankful People

LET US SHOW GRATITUDE



For bounteous blessings
of health, wealth, and happiness;

For freedom of worship
in the security of a great land;

For the Love of God
in whom we have Life Eternal.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD IN HIS HOUSE



AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

November 22

ELDERS: David Griggs — Rolland Ripple

DEACONS: For November —

Harold Addison, Captain, H-79715

Frank M. Moody

Paul D. Truby

C. Bueford Tharp

LeRoy Timbrook

Gorden Welker

Jack B. Brickley

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John F. Hechler

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WFF RUMMAGE SALE — NOVEMBER 28

2028 So. Hanna St.

Please bring your rummage to the room
the evening of the 27th, or to the Church
prior to that date. Thank you.

BASKETBALL

Our Junior-Hi Team will play Trinity
English Lutheran Team Saturday, Novem-
ber 21st at 1:45 P.M.

The High School Team will play Trinity
English Lutheran Team on Tuesday, No-
vember 24 at 6:45 P.M.

Both games will be played in St. John's
E. & R. Church Gym.

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DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We were all deeply shocked and grieved
to learn of the sudden death of Mr. Clar-
ence Busch this past week. Mr. Busch
was a faithful member of the Church;
loyal in his support and attendance at
services. Our heartfelt sympathy is ex-
tended to his wife and family. May God
comfort them in their hour of sorrow.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. D. Clyde Fox is a patient in Luth-
eran Hospital, Room 507.

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Hospital and is in Room 522.

Let us remember also, Mrs. Ella Maxwell,
Mrs. Curtis Harts and Mrs. Eva Mosier.

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Building Fund Offering	154.30
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Church School Offering	97.68
School for Christian Living	22.71

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

As a project the High School Youth printing **personalized napkins**, cards, etc. They solicit your business. If you have anything of this sort you would like personalized for a banquet or party, please see Miss Caroline Baughman, president of the Group, or Mr. James Shockney, Youth Director.

The CYF will meet Sunday evening 5:30 P.M. in the Youth Room for Worship, Study and Recreation. They will share in the Snack Time. All High School Youth are invited to attend these meetings.

COAT HANGERS I

The Junior Basketball Team is collecting coat hangers. If you have any you wish to be rid of, please bring them to the church.

AN EVENING PRAYER

O God and Father of us all, bring upon us now Thy hallowed calm; lift the burden from our hearts, soothe our anxieties, of our minds, and send peace into our souls. Forgive the disorder, the fever, the vain purpose of our lives. Help us now to stand a while in the shadow of Thy shadowing wings, and to be still to look out again upon life with new vision, that we may understand; that we may for the revelation of Thy will that shall make us calm and strong. Amen.

—Copied

PLEASE NOTE I

Mrs. Wm. Love is collecting for Crocker Gold Medal coupons for silverware for the Christian Women's Fellowship. Please save your coupons and bring them to Mrs. Love or leave them at the Church Office. Thank you.

Mr. F. A. Truby's hat was picked up by mistake the evening of our Turkey dinner November 6th, and another left in the place. Please check your hat and if you have Mr. Truby's please bring it to the office and exchange for yours.

MY JOB — I haven't got to make the universe; I've only got to do my small job, and to look up often at the trees and the hills and the sky, and be friendly with all men.

—David Grayson

ATTENTION I

Due to Thanksgiving Day, Tidings will go to press one day earlier next week. Please call in your notices by Monday.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

From: The Ponca City Christian, Ponca City, Oklahoma

GUEST EDITORIAL

"OPEN LETTER TO A TEEN AGER"

(Editor's Note: Tulsa teen age boys, under criticism because of the weekend tragedy which took the life of a pledge of their social club wondered "what they would do if they could not belong to their unrecognized clubs." The following suggestion by Judge Philip B. Gilliam, juvenile judge of Denver, is presented in complete seriousness and sincerity.)

Always we hear the plaintive cry of the teenager: "What can we do? Where can we go?" The answer is GO HOME!

Hang the storm windows; paint the woodwork. Rake the leaves, mow the lawn, shovel the walk. Wash the car, learn to cook, scrub some floors. Repair the sink, build a boat, get a job.

Help the minister, priest or rabbi, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army. Visit the sick, help the poor, study your lessons. And then when you are through—and not too tired—read a book.

Your parents do not owe you entertainment. Your city or village does not owe you recreational facilities. The world does not owe you a living. You owe the world something. You owe it your time and talents and energy so that no one will be at war in poverty or sick or lonely again.

In plain, simple words, GROW UP. Quit being a cry-baby. Get out of your dream world and develop a backbone, not a wishbone, and start acting like a man or a lady.

You're supposed to be mature enough to accept some of the responsibility your parents have carried for years. They have nursed, protected, helped, appealed, begged, cursed, tolerated and denied themselves needed comforts so that you could have every benefit. This they have done gladly, for you are their dearest treasure. But now, you have no right to expect them to bow to every whim and fancy just because selfish ego instead of common sense dominates your personality, thinking and requests.

In Heaven's name, GROW UP and GO HOME!

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Sermon Topic for Sunday: "REFLECTIONS IN A PARKING LOT"

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November 22

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	10	.85
Nursery Department	37	5.82
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	24	6.04
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	47	9.18
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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Junior Department	49	18.50
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PRAYER THOUGHT

God of all beauty, who dost make the sun to rise in splendor, and in the night set, and the stars to march in quiet procession across the sky; open our eyes, we see thy beauty on the face of the earth, that we may more fully know thee and may love all beauty because thou speakest to us of thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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A HOUSE!

The beauty of a house is harmony. The security of a house is loyalty. The joy of a house is love. The plenty of a house is children. The rule of a house is service. The comfort of a house is in contented spirits. The maker of a house, of a real home, is God himself, the same God who made the stars and built the world.

—Frank Cran

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THANKS BE TO GOD

Thanks be to God for roses rare,
For skies of blue and sunshine fair.
For every gift I raise a prayer,
Thanks be to God.
Thanks be to God for lovely night,
For mystic fields with stars bedight,
For hours of dream and deep delight.
Thanks be to God.
Thanks be to God for love divine,
The hopes that 'round my heart entwine;
For all the joy that now is mine,
Thanks be to God!

—P. J. O'Reilly

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are often the gift of a member family given as a memorial to some loved one, or in honor of an anniversary. The cost is \$5.00. After the morning service these flowers may be taken by the donor. If interested, please write your name against the date you desire to reserve on the Floral Calendar which you will find in the Church Narthex. Thank you.

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South America was settled by the Spaniard, who came to that land in search of gold, but North America was settled by the Pilgrim Fathers, who came in search of God. That made a difference.

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Fear not to enter His courts in the loneliness of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine. Truth in its beauty and love in its enderness, these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

—Copied.

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Nothing is



God's

PROGRAM

- ✓ For Developing His People
- ✓ For Financing His Church
- ✓ For Teaching Dependence on God

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BRING YE ALL THE TITHES

INTO THE STOREHOUSE

MAL. 3:10

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

November 29

ELDERS: Harold Crowder — Carter Palmer

DEACONS: For November —

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Paul D. Truby
C. Bueford Tharp
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5:30 P.M. School for Christian Living.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 22

Church Worship Attendance	429
Church School Attendance	373
Regular Church Offering	970.27
Building Fund Offering	240.00
90 Days of Sharing	24.00
Church School Offering	195.19
School for Christian Living	40.36
Thanksgiving Offering	83.00
Total Offerings	\$1552.82
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$10,428.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. A. N. Shockney, 4840 So. Hamr Street, Tuesday afternoon, December at 1 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Hugh Ric Devotions by Mrs. W. C. Birkhold.

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The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. G. Helmuth, 1232 S. Fairfield, Wednesday December 2, at 1:30 P.M. Miss De Howell will serve as co-hostess. A special Christmas program will be presented by Mrs. Robert Scott and Mrs. Helmuth. Members are asked to bring their cash gifts for the Cleveland Christian Home.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. James Cain, 813 Kinnaird Ave., Wednesday evening, December 2, at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Elliott Bragg, Devotions by Mrs. Max Finkhausen.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Gladys Beal, 439 Violet Court, Tuesday December 1, at 7 P.M. Program by Mrs. Robert Clipp, Worship by Mrs. Owen Vaught. There will be a gift exchange. **Members please note change in time and date.**

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CWF — WOMAN'S DAY — DECEMBER

Mrs. Roland Huff of Indianapolis will be our Guest Speaker on Woman's Day. Mrs. Huff is a former fraternal minister, Disciples of Christ churches in Great Britain, serving with her husband in Great Britain from 1955 to 1958 as ministers of the Burnage Church at Manchester, England.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet December 4th, at 8 P.M. at the home of Mrs. W. H. Imbody, 4522 Spatz. Mrs. Shockney and Mrs. Chamberlain will assist the hostess. There will be a Christmas Program and a 50¢ gift exchange.

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The CYF will meet Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M. in the Youth Room for a special program. Resource Discussion Leaders are: Mr. L. R. Musselman, Mr. Max Smith, and Mr. J. E. Weicker. Following the discussion period the Youth will meet with the Adults for Snack Time.



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BUYING ORGY:

About this time in December many good Christians, and many that aren't good at all, find themselves driven hectically by the thought of presents. Some even dread the coming of Christmas because of the trouble and expense it involves. One New Yorker, more smart-aleck than smart, was heard to remark, "Christmas bores me." What he was bored by was not Christmas, it was the pressure of a well-organized and heavily advertised orgy of buying useful and useless gifts, which reaches its climax at midnight December 24, when a flight of unpredicted angels announced a Gift that is "for free."

"Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

—Isaiah 40:3

The Christian Men's Fellowship will hold their regular Prayer Breakfast next Saturday morning at 8 o'clock in Fellowship Hall. We hope all the men of the church and friends will be present at this inspiring hour of worship and friendship.

WOMAN'S DAY—The Women's Fellowship will observe their Annual Woman's Day, Sunday, December 6th. This is a traditional day in the life of the women of our churches. Mrs. Roland Huff of Indianapolis will speak to us. She is a former fraternal minister to the Disciples of Christ churches in Great Britain, serving with her husband as ministers of the Burnage Church (Disciples) at Manchester, England.

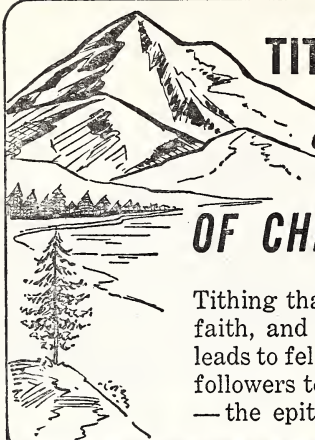
SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Sunday Evenings at 5:30

The questions for our Adult group will be taken from the 28th to the 37th Chapter of Genesis.

Children's Questions for 8, 9, 10 year group will be taken from the 20th to 25th Chapter of St. Matthew.

Snack Time 6:30 P.M.



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JUNIOR DIVISION

Our Junior Team will play Third Presbyterian Team on Saturday, December 5, at 2:30 P.M. All games are played at the St. John's E & R Church.

COAT HANGERS!

The Junior Basketball Team is still collecting coat hangers. If you have any you wish to be rid of, please bring them to the church.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

O God! the true light of believers, the eternal glory of the just, whose light never fadeth and whose brightness knows no bounds, pour into our hearts the pure and serene light of Thy Truth and grant us thereby to enter into Thine Eternity. That, as after the night passed Thou hast caused us to see the Light, so Thou mayst bid us come to the blessed and everlasting day. Amen.

—Evelyn Underhill

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Christ is the fulfillment of all hopes, the perfection of all philosophy, the interpretation of all revelation, the key of all the seeming contradictions of the physical and moral world.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

December 6, 1959

ELDERS: David Hogg — William R. Lov

DEACONS: for December

Captain — M. B. Sweeney, K-4898

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BASKETBALL

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CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 29

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	5	.50
Nursery Department	21	2.13
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	2.14
Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	41	6.13
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	45	7.14
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	22	2.90
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	20	3.31
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
the "58" Class	29	13.50
J. E. Weicker		
Home-Double Class	45	25.25
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Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.50
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.75
Officers	3	
TOTALS	345	\$97.82

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will hold their annual Christmas dinner on Monday evening, December 14, at 6 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Mrs. T. R. Eiler is in charge of the program; Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad in charge of Worship.

The members are reminded to bring their gifts of stationery, cards or stamps, for the Emily E. Flinn Home at Marion.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Romane Cole, 7511 Rose Ann Lane, Tuesday, December 8th at 8 P.M. Mrs. Gail Hunt will serve as co-hostess. The Program will be given by Mrs. Wm. Franklin, Devotions by Mrs. Stanley Cole.

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To Group Presidents and Service Chairmen

Don't forget the cash gifts for the Cleveland Christian Home at your December meeting. They are to be presented at the General meeting of the Fellowship, Tuesday, December 15, as part of the Worship Service. Have your service chairman or a representative to be responsible at the general meeting.

We will again make cheer baskets for our shut-ins. This will be done the morning of December 15 so that they may be picked up for delivery either that afternoon, or at the general meeting in the evening.

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Thanks for all your help on the "Bundles for Babies" and the "United Clothing Drive." Watch the Tidings for the final figures.

Continue to save nylons and stamps until further notice.

Mrs. Hugh Rice, General Chairman.

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PLEASE NOTE!

Mrs. Wm. Love is collecting Betty Crocker Gold Medal coupons for silverware for the Christian Women's Fellowship. Please save your coupons and get them to Mrs. Love or leave them at the Church Office. Thank you.

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Look over your Christmas giving list. Be honest now, will the best gift you give be to Him whose birthday it is?

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

December 6

1 MONTH TO GO! Altho negotiations for refinancing our loan have been completed, it will not be in effect until January 1960. Therefore we shall need to raise the \$2700 per month payment during the balance of this year, 1959. Your Church needs your support.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, November 29

Church Worship Attendance	381
Church School Attendance	345
Regular Church Offering	786.98
Building Fund Offering	124.55
90 Days of Sharing	23.00
Church School Offering	97.82
Thanksgiving Offering	52.50
Total Offerings	\$ 1084.85
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$10428.00

THANKSGIVING MORNING

We were gratified with our attendance for Worship on Thanksgiving Day. There were 152 in attendance. Many of our loyal members were away for the Holidays. Our offering was \$43.24.

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The **Christian Youth Fellowship** wish to take this means to thank those who helped with the Thanksgiving Breakfast. There were approximately 120 came for the breakfast. We especially wish to thank the Burger-Hoop Dairy who donated the milk we needed; and Mr. L. R. Musserman and Kroger's who furnished the coffee also, Mrs. Earl Baughman who furnished the bacon. For all these gifts and for the help of those who served, we are very grateful. Thank you. Caroline Baughman, President, CYF, Mr. James R. Shockney, Youth Director.

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A PLACE FOR ALL




There's a place for every member of the family in our Sunday School:

→ **FATHER**

→ **MOTHER**

→ **SISTER**

→ **BROTHER**



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

WRAPPING: Can anything be lovelier than Christmas giving when what we give reflects the gift of God's Son to us? We make our human exchanges with the Divine. We may even attain merit thereby. And the way to attain it is simple indeed:

Don't leave wrapping to the last moment. Extend it over several days. And while you wrap each present, pray for the person who will receive it. As you have selected that gift to fit that person's needs and tastes, pray that their needs be filled and their taste bring them joy. Presents wrapped in prayer glow with a particular light.

"Before we can feel the deepest tenderness for others,
we must feel the deepest tenderness of God."

—Emily Morgan

"COINS OF HIS KINGDOM"

by

John McGreevey

THE THESPIANS—a group of young people interested in Drama will present the playlet "Coins of His Kingdom" based on scenes from "The Robe" by Lloyd C. Douglas. The Play takes place in the courtyard of Justus' home in Cana, on the 34th anniversary of Jesus' birth. The Playlet will be given on Sunday evening, December 13, at 6 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Lawrence Horn will direct.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING—The Classes will meet as usual for their regular study and program at 5:30 P.M. At 6 o'clock everyone, **Juniors through adult**, will assemble in Fellowship Hall for the Drama presentation. Snack time at 6:30, when all will participate.

SERMON: "LIKE A LAMP IN THE DARKNESS"

90 DAYS OF SHARING

Our "90 Days of Sharing" are rapidly drawing to a close, and we are short of our goal by approximately \$6,000. Those who plan to turn in their certificates to the Church should do so now, and those intending to make a cash gift should do this in the very near future. Thank you for your generous support.

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1960 CHURCH ENVELOPES

The 1960 Church Envelope cartons will be in the Narthex of the Church December 13 thru December 27. During this time, we urge our members to pick up their boxes. **PLEASE CHECK YOUR NAME** before taking the box of envelopes, as account numbers change from year to year. If you do not find your box please speak to Mrs. Vaught.

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WORLD CALL — EVERY HOME PLAN

Families of the Church will soon receive their first copy of World Call under the new Every Home Plan. We are sincere in our hope that you will read and enjoy this magazine which will bring you news of our Brotherhood serving around the world.

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Nobis: Only five letters to that Latin word nobis — "to us" — but how overwhelming its implications! "Unto **Us** a child is born. Unto **us** a son is given." You and me and all the others — to **us** He has come. That is the challenging, humbling fact of Christmas.

He comes to respectable people in suburbs, to down-and-outers in night shelters, to the sick and those who nurse them, to the proud, the sophisticated, the self-assured, the lonely, the discouraged. To doubters and violent unbelievers.

To fishermen rocking in boats on wintry seas, to linesmen fixing wires in blinding storms, to reporters pounding typewriters in newspaper offices, to nuns and harlots, to monks and men condemned to die.

He comes to them whether they recognize Him or not, accept Him or not — a King in swaddling clothes, with a Maid for mother, stars for a diadem, cattle to keep Him warm, angelic hosts to sing Him to sleep — the desire of all nations.

Venite adoremus . . .

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BASKETBALL

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The High School Team will play The Presbyterian Team Tuesday, December 13 at 7:45 P.M.

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SERVICE DEPARTMENT, CWF — Clothing Drive

There were approximately 350 pounds of clothing contributed by our church members in the recent drive for the United Clothing Appeal. Thanks to all those who gave either clothing or helped with the shipping charges which amounted \$28.00. The truck from Church World Service picked up our contribution to take it to Nappanee, where it will be further processed, then shipped to some needy country. Mrs. Hugh Rice, Chairman.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

O Lord, fill us, we beseech Thee, with adoring gratitude to Thee, for all Thou art for us, to us, and in us; fill us with love, joy, peace, and all the fruits of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

—Christina G. Rosetti

EVERY MEMBER COMMITMENT SUNDAYS — DEC. 20 and 27

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December 6

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	8	1.02
Nursery Department	24	2.98
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Kindergarten	28	2.27
Mrs. Ernest Pond Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	47	4.56
Mrs. Wm. R. Love Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	46	7.56
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	26	3.87
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	19	2.57
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
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J. E. Weicker		
Home-Double Class	47	29.80
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Seaside Class	18	6.60
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Bible Class	5	10.00
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Men's Class	13	6.25
Officers	4	
TOTALS	372	\$133.20

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Church Choirs will present a Christmas Pageant on December 20 at 7:30 P.M.

The **58 CLASS** will enlist the actors for whom they will need costumes. Anyone having costumes of shepherds, wise men, etc., adult sizes; also, they will need three shepherd boy costumes in size 12 years, please call Mrs. Thomas Thornbury, H-83224. Thank you.

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HOW THE BIRDS FORMED A CHURCH

A group of birds decided to form a church . . . So they called a meeting and the duck stood up and said, "I think we should require baptism by immersion. It's the only way we can get their pocket-books wet."

But the rooster said, "No, we should baptize by sprinkling . . . many people dislike the embarrassment of getting wet all over."

So the argument was on. But the parrot said, "I don't think baptism is the important thing . . . what we need is a good program!"

Then the mockingbird said, "What about the choir? We must have a good choir . . . and don't forget the organ!"

"Oh," said the thrush, "we don't want an organ, a piano is much better!"

But the titmouse didn't want a musical instrument at all. And the sparrow said it would be just as well if they threw out music altogether.

The goose stood up and said, "What we really need is a preacher who is good with young people. If we don't attract the young people, the other churches in town will gobble them up for sure!"

But the starling thought it was more important that their preacher be a "good mixer."

And the bluejay figures if the preacher would lay off of sin and stuff like that, almost anyone would do . . . as long as he was popular among the townfolk.

But the real wrangle came over the budget. Some thought everyone should tithe . . . provided they could afford it. Others thought they should do away with collections . . . and just have faith.

So finally the owl arose and smoothed his feathers. Everyone grew quiet, for they knew he had great wisdom.

"Brothers and sisters," he said, "all these things are secondary. I'll tell you what we need. What we need is sincerity!"

And all the birds applauded and stomped and whistled . . .

"Yes, sir," repeated the owl, quite pleased with himself. "Above everything we must all be real sincere . . . even if we don't mean it!"

And so they formed a church . . .

And it was for the birds.

—Arnold Prater

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Regular Church Offering	844.27
Building Fund Offering	365.32
90 Days of Sharing	122.00
Church School Offering	133.20
Thanksgiving Offering	11.00
School for Christian Living	34.77
Total Offerings	\$ 1510.56
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$10433.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

The Executive committee will meet 7:15 P.M. December 15, in the Church Chapel. At 8 P.M. The General Fellowship will have their Christmas program in the Church Parlor. The Program, "The God is Love" will be presented by members of the Fellowship; Worship by the Dye Circle; Hospitality by Nelson Circle and the Montgomery Circle will serve refreshments.

All women of the Church, their husbands and friends are cordially invited to attend.

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CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Fern Teeple, 717 Union St. Monday evening, December 14 at 6:30 P.M. This is Christmas Party, and the group members will exchange gifts.

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The Fellowship Guild will have the annual Christmas dinner at the Church on Monday evening, December 14 at 7 P.M. Mrs. Wm. Conrad will give the devotion, we will have special violin music by Miss Carol Purdy; Mrs. S. E. Merriman will tell the Christmas Story, entitled, "Ye Sow" by Dorothy Canfield Fisher. Members in charge of decorations: Mrs. Ferguson Gray, Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mrs. Donald C. Smith.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. H. Clifton Bassett are in charge of the Primary Workshop during the month of December.

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Christ says: "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock." Will you open the door of your heart and your home to Him, will you, like the Bethlehem innkeeper, hang out the "No Vacancy" sign?



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WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH YOUR MONEY?

"Money spent for selfish ends will 'fail,' but money used for God endures forever. Roger Babson says 'Money spent for lunch lasts five hours. Money spent for a necktie lasts five months. Money spent for water power lasts five generations. Money spent for the kingdom of God lasts for eternity.' Not one of the first four items mentioned above is wrong. But if a man spends all his money for them, or the things which they represent, he is investing it in that which does not endure. To borrow from a famous couplet, we have just one life and one possession of money. Both will soon pass. Only that which is used for God will last.

MONEY WISELY USED NOT ONLY ENDURES, BUT IT ENLARGES OUR USEFULNESS. A man, upon being asked what he had been doing during the week just gone, replied, 'On Monday, I was in Brazil preaching the Gospel. Tuesday I was ministering among the Mexicans in southwest Texas. Wednesday I operated on a Negro in Africa. Thursday I journeyed to Japan to teach in a mission school. Friday I spent in California helping establish a new Church. Saturday I taught classes in all of our seminaries. Sunday I distributed Bibles in Korea.' His friend thought he was jesting, and said so. 'How could you be in so many different places doing so many different things?' 'I wasn't,' said the man, 'for I have been at my desk every day. But you see, I made a gift to missions at my Church last Sunday, and through it I have been able to do all these things.'

—Copied

SERMON: "THIS IS CHRISTMAS!"

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Babies and Toddlers	9	.93
Nursery Heparment	22	2.52
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	28	2.54
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Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	42	3.62
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
Junior Department	47	6.45
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Progressive Class	32	14.81
Hugh D. Rice		
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Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.25
Officers	3	
TOTALS	354	\$98.30

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

"The Pageant of the Holy Nativity," by Young-Williams, will be given by the Choirs and members of the '58 Class, next Sunday evening at 7:30 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary, under the direction of Mr. Thomas Thornbury. Jack E. Weicker, Reader; Soloists are: Mrs. J. E. Weicker, Mrs. R. E. Cocherille, F. Wayne Brown and J. Carl Smith. Members of the '58 Class will make the Cast of Angels, Shepherds and others.

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NO SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING
December 20 — — — December 21

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BASKETBALL

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POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS — For those who desire to share their Christmas poinsettias with the church on December 20, please call your florist and have them place your plant in the sanctuary for the Christmas Sunday morning service and you can pick it up afterward.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. C. W. Winfield fell last week and suffered a broken arm. She is at home.

Mrs. Harry Harman is a patient at Lutheran Hospital.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Chancel Flowers this Sunday are given by Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Smith, in memory of their daughter Marjorie.

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90 DAYS OF SHARING

Our "90 Days of Sharing" are rapidly drawing to a close, and we are short of our goal by approximately \$6,000. Those who plan to turn in their certificates, the Church should do so now, and those intending to make a cash gift should do this in the very near future. Thank you for your generous support.



**GOOD TIDINGS
OF GREAT JOY**

*"Unto you is born this
day . . . a Saviour, which
is Christ the Lord."*

LUKE 2:10

The angelic proclamation to Judean shepherds
echoes around the world today . . . bringing joyous
news to all in whom Christ abides . . . for truly Christ
Jesus came for you, and you, and you.

Christmas IS CHRIST'S DAY

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ings announcements must be in the Church
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before 5 P.M.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Officers of the Come Double Class
would like to express their appreciation
for the fine cooperation of all the members
helping to make the past year such a
success.

The election of officers for 1960 was
held at the Christmas Party on Saturday,
December 12. The newly elected officers
are: President, Aaron Smith; Vice-Presi-
dent, Howard Howell; Secretary-Treasurer,
s. Ben Taylor.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, December 13

Church Worship Attendance	406
Church School Attendance	354
Regular Church Offering	981.32
Building Fund Offering	299.05
90 Days of Sharing	151.00
Church School Offering	98.30
School for Christian Living	15.62
Total Offerings	\$ 1545.29
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$10498.00

SERVICE FOR BLESSING THE BABIES

The next Presentation of Children will be on Christmas Eve, December 24, during the Candlelight Communion Service at 8 o'clock.

For the benefit of our more recent members we summarize here a little about the meaning of this ceremony. We desire to recognize the religious importance every little child born into our church family. This is usually a part of our regular Morning Worship. Several times a year and at Christmas, these little ones are brought by their parents into the Sanctuary. Here they are presented unto God, as Jesus was presented by Joseph and Mary in the Temple at Jerusalem. Through the years this has grown in dignity and importance until it has become one of the most significant of our services. Along with certain other great religious organizations, we have not believed in and do not practice infant baptism. We have understood that to baptize a child in its unconscious infancy would be to deny to the grown boy or girl an experience which was meant to be an experience of deliberate choice. Jesus was not baptized as a baby but waited for that until grown to full manhood. Many congregations do nothing in recognition of the religious meaning of the advent of a child. The "Presentation of Children" is our effort to do what is right for our children and for our homes. The little ones to be brought here for that service are to receive the blessing of Christ.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class will have the annual Christmas Party in Fellowship Hall Saturday, December 19 at 6:30 P.M. The men of the Class are the Hosts and will prepare the meal. The members will have a 50¢ gift exchange.

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BEREAN CLASS

The Berean Class will have a Christmas Party at the home of Rev. and Mrs. George Wascovich Saturday evening, December 19th, at 7:30. Each couple is to bring a favorite dish of food.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. H. Clifton Bassett are in charge of the Primary Workshop during the month of December.

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Christ says: "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock." Will you open the door of your heart and your home to Him? Will you, like the Bethlehem innkeeper, hang out the "No Vacancy" sign?



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Fort Wayne, Indiana, December 24, 1959

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

If you have in your heart a lovely and holy memory of days gone by, when life was new and your heart was pure, to which you can bow down when the day is dark and life is hard — hold on to it!

If you have a gleam of the romance upon which your home was built, a bit of the sweet magic which made life a dream, and your partner dearer than anything in all the world — hold on to it!

If you have a friendship, firm after the fret and jar of the years, with one who knows your faults and loves you still, no matter what stress or strain the tangled days may bring — hold on to it!

If you have a faith, however dim, which makes sense out of life, giving majestic meanings to our fleeting days, and dares to believe in the best in the face of the worst the years can do — hold on to it!

If in the darkness and mystery of life, which deepens the further we go and the more we know, a spark of God — fire flashes across your soul, follow it, trust it, and never let it go — hold on to it!

If in your heart there lies a spark of longing which makes you yearn for the closer talk with God — fan it into a flame by regular worship, prayer, and Bible study.

Let the new year find in us a deeper dedication to God's way of life, a closer commitment to His Church, and a finer interest in His people everywhere.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY — DECEMBER 27th

All who have not made their pledges to the Kingdom of God through the budget responsibilities of this church, are presented once more with the opportunity to do so at the morning worship service, Sunday, December 27th.

Sunday's Sermon: "A CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE SALE"

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

1. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

2. MIND AND IN MIND

3. MIND ON THE MIND

THE *Best* RESOLUTION



● For happiness throughout the year
And peace you will hold dear

RESOLVE TO FOLLOW CHRIST

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At a meeting of the Official Board last Sunday following the Morning Service the Board elected Officers for 1960: Chairman Hugh D. Rice; Vice-Chairman, Louis C. bertson; Chairman, Board of Trustees Wendell C. Glass; Chairman, Board of Elders, Robert Rayl; Chairman, Board of Deacons, Harold Addison; Chairman, Deaconesses, Mrs. A. Jefferson Young.

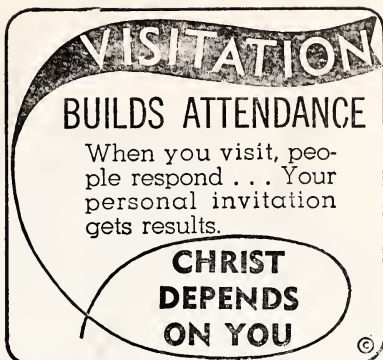
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rsery Department	29	4.22
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
ndergarten	27	3.41
Mrs. Ernest Pond		
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
mary Department	48	7.50
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Mrs. Harold Addison		
ior Department	44	11.00
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
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FOLLOW UP CALLING —

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Mary Wagner is in St. Joseph's Hospital. She will need several blood transfusions and asks that anyone under 50 years of age who would like to give blood for her, please go to the Red Cross Blood Center and be sure to tell them it is for her.

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Mrs. Ella Maxwell and Mr. J. R. Coar are now at their homes.

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Mrs. Ralph Church is in Room 300 at Lutheran Hospital.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, December 20

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Church School Attendance	365
Regular Church Offering	1275.17
Building Fund Offering	384.55
90 Days of Sharing	82.00
Church School Offering	167.17
Christmas Offering	149.60
Total Offerings	\$2058.49
Pledges to date for 90 Days of Sharing	\$10,633.00

YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE VISITORS

In the days ahead visitors from the church will be coming into the homes of some of our members. They will be volunteers who will be busy on Christ's work. They will come to your home in spirit of personal interest in YOU and will be glad to have the privilege of a visit in your living room.

This is written to ask your cooperation when they come. Welcome them cordially at the door. Invite them to come in and sit down. Make them feel that you are glad to have two representative persons of the church call about Christ's business.

They will want to tell you about First Christian's plans for the new church year. Listen to them earnestly. Be ready to ask any questions that are on your mind. They will be glad to answer them to the best of their ability, and, if they do not know the answer, they will get the facts for you.

Discuss in your home between now and then what you consider is a Christian amount of time and money to give to Christ's work for the coming year. But do not make up your mind completely until you have given careful attention to what they have to tell you. Then in cheerful cooperation sign the estimate on service cards and send them on their way with an encouraging smile.

A minister who had served his Lord for many years wrote this description of the harm done to one young man by the attitude of his father toward such callers from the church. "One of the problems of our annual enlistment was a crabbed old tightwad who abused every caller who asked him to give for the support of the church. He wanted the best that the church could offer, but met every church visitor with fault-finding and abuse. In my study one morning came this father sore distressed. He wanted to know the preacher couldn't do something to interest his son in the church. He couldn't understand why this boy, raised in a Christian home, had lost all faith in religion. It was not an easy thing to recall to that father the memories his boy must have had of the days when some one representing the church came into his house to discuss with him his share of responsibility in the maintenance of the church. It was not easy to lift into the vision of that father, hardened by years of sordid selfish living and robbing God, the inescapable logic of that boy's conclusion about the genuineness of his father's religion, and how highly he valued it."

(Guy L. Morrill)

(As you read this, remember that some person in your home may form an opinion of the importance of religion from just such an incident.)



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

What wonderful things stand just out of reach on the threshold of the New Year? Will we know peace and prosperity? Will joy and happiness be ours to have and to hold? It is safe to say that the New Year will bring to most of us the very same things that the years that lie in the past have brought. We find in life the things which we seek, even to our hurt and heartache. I pray that the New Year will bring to every heart and home the peace that passeth all understanding. I pray that it will bring the prosperity of happy hours. If you can come to know that all happiness is the result of inner response to spiritual values, then every day can be happy, and every year prosperous.

Just a word today about your church pledge. It was thrilling to know that many increased their pledges in a very generous measure — thus casting their vote for an increasing witness for their Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. There were many, of course, that kept their pledges on the same level due to the fact they were already tithing, and others because they were already giving in a sacrificial measure. But this is the time for all Christian people to rally to the cause of Christ. Give to the Church the opportunity of doing its job in a measure worthy of the Kingdom of God!

There were those who did not make a pledge to the church. Some say they do not believe in pledging . . . But, they really do . . . to the telephone company, to the light company, to their Insurance companies, etc. The good ole American time payment plan is nothing more than a man pledging to keep up monthly payments while he receives the blessings of the products he is using. When I pledge to God through the Church, I am only returning a portion of God's blessings as He goes on blessing me day after day.

Beloved, let us all work together to make our Church one of the greatest Churches in America. I pledge to you that I will not spare myself in the work toward that goal. I do not believe in shoddy commitments or claptrap loyalties! I believe and practice tithing and urge you to try God's method! Let's make 1960 OUR GREATEST YEAR EVER!

SERMON: "WITHOUT VISION, WE PERISH!"

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December 27

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Babies and Toddlers	8	.85
Nursery Department	10	.83
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TOTALS.....	211	\$65.84

"NOT FORSAKING
the Assembling of
Ourselves Together"

Heb. 10:25

Your love for Christ is
shown by your loyalty to
His church, your regular
attendance at all services.

CHRIST INVITES YOU

LOVE DEMANDS YOUR PRESENCE

PROGRESSIVE CLASS

At a recent meeting, the Progressive Class elected officers for year 1960 as follows: President, Earl A. Plummer; 1st Vice-Pres., Rufus S. Quinn; 2nd Vice-Pres., J. Young; Secretaries, Mrs. Paul Truby and Mrs. Irene Cline; Treasurer, Elmer Darwachter.

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team of First Christian will play Calvary E.U.B. Team on Thursday, January 5 at 6:45 P.M.

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1960 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Those who did not pick up their envelopes during December will receive them this week in the mail. So that a minimum of errors may occur, the Church secretaries respectfully urges all members to use the envelopes when paying on their pledges. Thank you.

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CHRISTIAN LIFE DEVELOPMENT LAB

The Christian Life Development Lab will be held at the West Creighton Christian Church February 1 to 5, 1960. 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. (DST).

The Children's Work groups will be led by Mrs. Herald Demaree, for Teachers and parents.

Youth Work group will be led by Harold Johnson, for Teachers, parents, youth program workers, including young people.

Adult Work group, led by Mr. L. Harvey, for Teachers, administrators, leaders of adult groups.

Please keep these dates and plan to attend. Registration fee is \$2.00.

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January 3

ELDERS: David Hogg — Albert Powell

EACONS: for January

captain — Harold Addison, H-79715

Gorden Welker

John C. Varner

L. M. Culbertson

F. Marion Coburn

Kenneth Edwards

Wm. J. Conrad

Myron Cole

Whitney Thompson

Orville Moody

J. Fred Smell

Cecil Beck

EACONESS: For January

Mrs. William R. Love

OSPITALITY CHAIRMAN: for January

Mrs. William Caldwell

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1960 ORDINATIONS

On January 10th the newly elected Elders will be ordained during the Morning Worship.

On January 17th newly elected Deacons will be ordained during the Morning Worship.

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MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 9, 1960 at 8 A.M. This is the first Prayer Breakfast of the new Year and we should like to see many of our men present for this hour to fellowship and worship.

NOTES

Mr. Herman W. Sigrist wishes to take this means of expressing his sincere thanks to the many friends in the Church who remembered him with greetings, letters and good wishes at the Christmas Season. Mr. Sigrist extends to all here at First Christian the Season's Greetings with best wishes for the New Year.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bronson are the sponsors for the Primary Workshop during the month of January.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING will resume on Sunday evening, January 3rd, at 5:30 P.M. Our minister will lead the Bible discussion for Adults in the Sanctuary. At 6:30 all will meet in Fellowship Hall for snacks.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Elmer Darwacher is a patient in Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. M. Wagner is in room 415, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Glenn Miller has been ill at her home.

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IN SYMPATHY

It is with sorrow that we learn of the recent death of Mr. George Ripple, father of Roland Ripple and Mrs. Hugh Rice. Mr. Ripple passed away last Friday at his home in Brazil, Ind. Burial was Monday of this week. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. Ripple and Mrs. Rice and their families in their hour of sorrow.

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Building Fund Offering	155.60
90 Days of Sharing	40.00
Church School Offering	65.84
Christmas Offering	163.00
Total Offerings	\$3090.76

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Byron Spice Circle will meet Jan-
ary 6th in thle home of Mrs. William Lo
341 W. Maple Grove from 9 to 11 A.M.

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The Dr. Higdon Circle will meet w
Mrs. Robt. Clipp, 1108 McKinnie, Thurs-
evening, January 7th at 7:45 P.M. Wors-
by Mrs. Chas. Fuchshuber, Program
Mrs. Roy Beal.

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Trs Dr. Dye Circle will meet with M
W. C. Glass, 3924 So. Harrison, Wedn-
day afternoon January 6 at 1:30 P.M. W
ship by Mrs. Ward Bundy, Program by M
Rolland Ripple.

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The McGavran Circle will meet w
Mrs. C. R. McMaken, 3022 South War-
Ave., Tuesday, January 5, at 1:00 P
Worship by Mrs. M. G. Heller, Progr-
by Mrs. A. NN. Shockney.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet v
Mrs. Irene Kissinger, 1007 Northwood
Friday, January 8 at 8:00 P.M.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

O God, our Father and Father of all m-
kind, we bow before thee to worship th-
to await thy guidance, to renew
strength in the realization of thy indw-
ing Spirit. In our common devotion
thee, may we be united and strengthe-
in fellowship, one with the other. Bes-
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the earth. In the name of thy Son, wh-
thou didst give to the word. Amen.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

What a wonderful Holiday Season this Church has shared! Your participation in the activities of the Church has been outstanding. Your support of the Church's program, attendance and in resources has been truly outstanding. The offering the last day of the Church year came to around \$3600! The offering the first Sunday of this new year was \$1,800. Thus we are off and winging to a grand start on our new responsibilities. God bless all of you who are helping to make this Church one of the great Churches of our Brotherhood.

Did you know that during the closing days of December our church treasurer remitted a check for \$3,000 for CAPITAL FOR KINGDOM BUILDING? This was giving above and beyond our regular budgeted missionary giving. It is an indication of our concern for a world lost outside the reach of God's love and mercy. God can touch a hardened world through out hearts and hands. I'm proud of a Church that cares for others in such a measure.

Did you know that some three years ago our church indebtedness stood near the \$100,000 mark, and that as of now it is around the \$100,000 mark? Yet you have not heard me preaching money, nor have you been brow-beaten to give to the building fund — you just shared out of the concern of your hearts. Keep up the good work! In a few years we will have the debt behind us and be on our way to new and wonderful achievements for the world outreach of the Church.

A good slogan for FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, FORT WAYNE, would be: "THE DIFFICULT WE WILL DO IMMEDIATELY; THE IMPOSSIBLE WILL TAKE A LITTLE TIME!"

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "TRIUMPHANT LOSING! IMMORTAL FINDING!"

Did Jesus mean it when He said: "He that findeth his life shall lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake shall find it"?

Worldly values are like ice beneath the summer's sun; froth upon a river's flow; smoke borne along upon the north wind. You cannot grasp them, nor hold them for long!

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Charles Speicher, 301 Edgeknoll Lane Monday evening, January 11 at 8:00 o'clock. Worship by Miss Mildred Hutchinson. Program by Miss Mildred Hartman. This will be our first lesson on "Africa".

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Myron Cole, 450 Clermont, Tuesday evening, January 12 at 8:00 P.M. Mr. Edwin Allen Co-hostess. Program by Mr. Paul Yentes, Devotions by Mrs. Robert Keithley.

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Stay alert, concentrate on driving.

Don't drive or walk in traffic after drinking.

Follow other vehicles at a safe distance.

Come to a complete stop at stop sign.

Slow down in bad weather, adjust conditions.

Stay on own side of the road at intersections, grade crossings, no-passing zone and on hills and curves.

Dim headlights on the highway even when on-coming driver doesn't. Look right shoulder to keep control.

Yield right-of-way to pedestrians.

Pedestrians —

Obey traffic signals and signs.

Cross at intersections only.

Look left and right for traffic when crossing.

Watch for turning cars before crossing. Never walk into the street from between parked cars.

If you must walk on the road, walk on the left facing traffic.

Wait on the sidewalk for the proper time to cross the street.

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 The Adult Work group, led by Mr. Lyle Mavey, for Teachers, administrators, leaders of adult groups.
 Please keep these dates and plan to attend. Registration fee is \$2.00.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
 The Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 9, 1960 at 8 A.M. This is the first Prayer Breakfast of the New Year and we should like to see many of our men present for this hour to fellowship and worship.

PRIMARY WORKSHOP
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SCHOOL for CHRISTIAN LIVING
 The Adults are asked to read the first five chapters of the Book of Acts for next Sunday evening's lesson. We will meet at 7:30 in the Church Sanctuary.
 QUESTIONS for the Youth will be taken from the first five Chapters of the Book of Acts.
 Snack time 6:30 in Fellowship Hall.

The test of true education is whether it causes us to do the thing we have to do when it ought to be done, whether we like it or not.

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Nursery Department	16	2.40
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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	1.98
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	39	4.42
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	38	6.45
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	18	2.21
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	24	2.07
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
The "58" Class	20	10.00
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	41	24.95
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
James H. Naile		
John Jefferies		
Mrs. Geo. Bruckman		
Berean Class	15	7.25
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	15.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	15	13.72
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	6.00
Officers	4	
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Church School Attendance	303
Regular Church Offering	1339.36
Building Fund Offering	383.90
90 Days of Sharing	55.00
Church School Offering	107.45
Christmas Offering	5.00
Total Offerings	\$1890.71

NOTES

We want to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy from our friends in the Church in the loss of our father George Ripple. They were very much appreciated. Rolland Ripple and M. Hugh Rice.

Mrs. Eva Mosier wishes to take this means of thanking her friends in the Church for the many cards and gifts; the many personal calls and other kindnesses shown her during her long illness. These were deeply appreciated. Mrs. Mosier is now recuperating at her home.

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STORK NEWS

Lloyd and Alice Flowers are the proud parents of a baby son, Gregory, born January 3rd. They live at 3860 Ruth Lane Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Her Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richard, the proud grandparents of young Gregory. The Church extends congratulations to these folk.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osborn December 28th. We wish also to congratulate this young couple.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Harry Imbody is a patient at Parkview Hospital, Room 319. She will undergo surgery this week.

Curtis Harts is a patient in St. Joseph Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

Mrs. Paul Carpenter passed away January 5 at Parkview Hospital. Mrs. Carpenter was a faithful member of the church for many years. We are deeply grieved at her passing and extend deep sympathy to Mr. Carpenter in his great loss.

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SINCERE THANKS

Merland Heller, Max Finkhausen, Myrtle Cole, Ted Bryan, Charles Ludwig were some of the men who installed the lights for the Parking lot. The Come-Double Class financed this project. The Church extends a vote of thanks to the Come-Double Class and to these men.

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It is better to understand a little than to misunderstand a lot.

—Anatole France



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Dear Christian Friends:

Sunday morning a stranger paused long enough to say, "I'm not a member of the Christian Church, and not a member of a Church in Fort Wayne, but I'm so very glad to come. It was a great experience of worship." I know that it was true for I felt the same way. There are times when one can certainly feel the presence of God within a worship service, and Sunday was one of those splendid moments. The music and the prayers were truly inspirational, and the installation of the elders was a moment of quiet dignity and dedication. It's good to be minister of such a great congregation!

The Sunday evening service, "School for Christian Living", continues to prove most interesting. The adults will continue to study the "IDEA OF IMMORTALITY" this coming Sunday evening. The questions will come from the Book of Acts, chapters 1-10. The young people will be asked questions from Acts, chapters 5-10.

Remember: 5:30 - 6:30 STUDY TIME

6:30 - 7:30 SNACK TIME

If you miss the Church School Hour, you miss a grand opportunity to further your knowledge of the Word of God, and at the same time to become better acquainted with the people who worship alongside you. There is a fine Bible School Class for every age. The time to begin is this coming Sunday morning at 9:15 A.M.

This coming Sunday morning I shall preach on the theme: "EVERYMAN, COME FORTH". Life for far too many people is spent in dungeon-like fears and fobias. The glory of life is buried in some darksome grave to which Jesus comes and cries out: "Everyman, Come Forth!" Is the glory of life an imprisoned splendor within your heart? Let go, and let Jesus have His wonderful way with you, and the grave of life will give up its prisoner!

BIBLE SCHOOL (9:15 - 10:15) — THE CHURCH AT STUDY

WORSHIP SERVICE (10:30 - 11:45) — THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

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Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	39	3.06
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	35	5.08
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DRINKING AND DRIVING

Special studies by the National Safety Council show that 55 percent of the fatal traffic accidents involved a drinking driver.

A drinking driver was involved in at least 30% of all fatal traffic accidents during 1958.

25% of the adult pedestrians killed during 1958 had been drinking.

Drinking to any extent reduces the ability of any driver.

Small amounts of alcohol reduce judgment, self-control and driving ability.

Alcohol is not a stimulant and is classified medically as depressant.

The social drinkers are a greater menace than commonly believed as their critical judgment is impaired with a fairly low alcohol concentration and they outnumber the obviously intoxicated drivers.

Chemical tests provide the police with a scientific means to determine whether or not alcohol has reduced a driver's ability.

Loss of judgment and the capacity for self-criticism occurs before obvious symptoms of intoxication.

It takes at least three hours to oxidize (eliminate) one ounce of pure alcohol (about 2 cocktails).

Two cocktails may reduce visual acuity as much as wearing dark glasses at night.

"Under the influence" means that due to drinking alcohol a person has lost some of the clearness of mind and self-control that he would otherwise possess.

You do not have to be obviously intoxicated to be "under the influence" and an unsafe driver.

Coffee or other stimulants will not offset the effects of alcohol. Only TIME can eliminate alcohol from the blood stream.

In many accident cases, the fact that a driver has been drinking is not recorded and is never entered in the driver's official record.

In spite of past and present efforts to increase safety education and traffic enforcement too many drinking drivers are still operating on our streets and highways.

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With Christ

He can make your days delightful,
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FIND CHRIST IN HIS HOLY SANCTUARY

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Building Fund Offering	331.32
Church School Offering	95.87
Total Offerings	\$1582.87

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

The Executive will meet at 1:15 P.M. in the Chapel. General Meeting will follow at 2:00 P.M. in Church Parlor.

Program: "Our Brotherhood's Mission in Africa". Mrs. Timothy Warner, returned Missionary from Sierra Leone, Africa, serving there under the auspices of the First Missionary Church, will be the guest speaker.

McGavran Circle is in charge of worship. Kepple Circle, Hospitality, Dye Circle will serve refreshments.

Any one interested will be cordially welcomed.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers last Sunday were given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayl, in memory of their son Tommy.

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Arthur Richardson has been a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 345.

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Young Jeffery Kintzel is a patient in West 2nd. Lutheran Hospital.

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NOTES

You will be glad to learn that our beautiful tower is once more lighted. Our thanks go to Ed Hall and his friend who did this work.

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Bruce Stone furnished some of the material and labor for the installing of our parking lights. George Bruckman assisted in this work. Our sincere thanks to these folk for their fine contribution to the Church.

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I BELONG TO THE CHURCH BECAUSE

If nobody belonged to the Church, there would be no church; and if the church with all its influence for good were suddenly taken away, I would want to leave town immediately.

While I may not agree with all the ideas of theology, I do believe in its ideals of life.

While I share in the blessings of Christian Civilization, I want to be square enough to have a share in the church work.

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It may be well to remind ourselves that we can't go the second mile until we have gone the first.



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In a similar vein I once ran across a definition of cancer as "the unchecked proliferation of cellular tissue of one organ of the body independent of the rest of the body." In simple English, cancer was "cellular selfishness"! It would be highly profitable for any man, any family, or any nation, to ponder long and well these definitions of life's most vicious diseases! Humanity is honeycombed with this dreaded disease, spiritual cancer, or "La Maladie du Moie"!

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Teaching a Bible School Class, attending worship services, contributing time, talent, and money to the cause of the Kingdom of God, is not mere ecclesiastical trimmings, it is the projection of the mind and will of God into the diseased bloodstream of humanity; without which man perishes. **YOU** may be the source of spiritual vitality which helps to redeem our corporate life in Christ!

YOU are of vital concern to our Church! Just as one letter on my typewriter, if left off, would create havoc with my spelling, so one life uncommitted to Christ is sorely missed.

Bring someone with you to Bible School and Worship!

Sunday's Sermon: "Is My Saviour Satisfied With Me?"



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TOTALS	347	\$97.17

"SHARE A BLANKET

SAVE A BROTHER"

Our Christian Women's Fellowship is sponsoring the drive for NEW and USED blankets and quilts. On Sunday, January 24, you will find a box in Fellowship Hall in which to place your contribution of blankets will be 8c per pound, approx. blankets will be 8c pe r pound, approx. 25c per blanket. Those wishing to give an offering for this purpose may see Mrs. Hugh Rice, Chairman, Department of Service.

"Millions of refugees are facing the winter weather without blankets. This need constitutes a serious emergency. The "extra blanket" in your closet can save a life overseas.

Indiana W.R.A.P. (World Refugee Action Program) challenges the Churches in Indiana with a goal of 100,000 blankets. Suggested local church goal — 1 blanket per family.

We know First Christian will do its fair share in helping to relieve this urgent emergency.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bronson are the sponsors for the Primary Workshop during the month of January.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK —

CHEERFULNESS

There is no greater every-day virtue than cheerfulness. This quality in man among men is like sunshine to the day, or gentle renewing moisture to parched herbs. The light of a cheerful face diffuses itself, and communicates the happy spirit that inspires it. The sourest temper must sweeten in the atmosphere of continuous good humor. . . .

Every time a man smiles, and much more when he laughs, it adds something to his fragment of life. —Sterne

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, January 17

Church Worship Attendance	446
Church School Attendance	347
Regular Church Offering	894.92
Building Fund Offering	286.15
Church School Offering	97.17
Total Offerings	\$1278.24

NOTES

Mrs. William Caldwell has been elected as Chairman of Finance for the Fort Wayne Council of United Church Women. Our best wishes and congratulations go to Mrs. Caldwell. She will honor her church in this position.

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CAPITAL FOR KINGDOM BUILDING

Several weeks ago our Church paid its pledge of \$3,000 to Capital for Kingdom Building. Following are excerpts from a letter written to First Christian by Rev. Donald Legg, Dept. of Resources, United Christian Missionary Society:

"The \$3,000 check from First Christian Church was certainly a most welcome Christmas present to the United Society. Please express the heartfelt gratitude of the Society to your congregation for this very generous remittance." . . .

"We divided the \$3,000 in the following manner: \$225.00 was applied on project #204 to complete the payment for the car for the evangelistic worker in Mexico. This car will be used by Mr. Kepple, your Link Missionary, so you have had a direct part in the physical factor of his work through this share; \$1,300 was loaned for a tractor at Mountain of Light Farm. I say loaned to this particular project because of the fact that the entire project is covered by commitments from other churches. However, money was borrowed because of the urgency for the tractor and it was purchased some time ago. The slow paying off of the balance has curtailed some of the other need at the Mountain of Light Farm so we are using your money here first to make available other needs. As soon as the money from the other churches comes in your money will be shifted over to project #198, the Union Seminary. This is where we have applied the balance of the \$3,000 check in the amount of \$1,475. In other words we are applying nearly all of the original sum, in the long run to Union Seminary in Mexico City." . . .

"I know that your people will be pleased to learn that they have had a tangible part in some real advance through Capital for Kingdom Building in Mexico." . . . "Again, our appreciation to all of you for your good stewardship."

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It may be well to remind ourselves that we can't go the second mile until we have gone the first.



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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 18

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Number 18

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

T.V. TITLES TELL A TALE!

Dead or Alive—What we wonder about non-resident church members.

Guns smoke—What it looks like outside the church building between Sunday School and the preaching service.

Groucho—How religion seems to affect some people.

I Led Three Lives—Confession of a hypocrite who lived one life at church, another work, and another at home.

I've Got A Secret—Something the church gossip can't keep.

Late Show—What keeps some folks in bed on Sunday morning.

Little Rascals—Those who sit on the back row, and cut up during the preaching service.

Lone Ranger—Church member who doesn't cooperate with the majority decision.

People Are Funny—Especially when they give excuses for not attending church.

Person To Person—The only way to do soul winning.

Playhouse 90—A program of 90 minutes that seems shorter than the preacher's minute sermon.

Popeye—What happens when the preacher's wife wears a new dress to church.

Sugarfoot—The kind of sermons a lot of people want.

The Lineup—Something you never see at a church door.

Tombstone Territory—Where a lot of sinners will end up waiting for a "convenient season" to repent of their sins.

Note: This article was sent to the minister by Mr. H. W. Sigrist, taken from Brighton Brethren Chapel Bulletin.

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SERMON: "TOO SOON OLD, TOO LATE SMART"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

January 24, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	6	.96
Nursery Department	22	1.53
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	19	1.25
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	55	4.63
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	44	6.96
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	21	1.55
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	17	1.56
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
The "58" Class	25	16.25
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	36	20.25
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	22	14.00
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	32	16.90
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	13	3.25
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.30
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	3.25
Officers	4	
TOTALS	327	\$93.64



CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

At their last meeting, the Christian Men's Fellowship elected new officers for 1960. President, J. Carl Smith; Vice-President, Wendell C. Glass; Sec'y.-Treas., Herdi Helmuth.

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"SHARE BLANKETS—SAVE BROTHERS"

In the "Share A Blanket" drive, First Christian members gave 31 blankets; of this number 14 were new and 17 were used. These blankets will be air-lifted from the Church World Service Center of Nappanee, Ind., to various parts of the world where the need is urgent. The Service Department wishes to thank those who participated in this drive.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Garland Morroff has been a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 494.

Harold K. Pritchard is a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 343.

Mrs. Wm. Franklin is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, West-1.

Doyle Anderson is in Lutheran Hospital, Room 411.

Mr. Cecil Kinzie has returned to his home.

Mrs. Mary Wagner and Mrs. Ella Marshall are both at home and improving.

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NOTES

A note from Mr. and Mrs. John Craig. The Eastgate Christian Church, E. 161st St. and Franklin Rd., Indianapolis is holding its dedication service on Sunday, February 7 at 3 P.M. John and Charline would be delighted to have friends from First Christian attend this Dedication, and incidentally to visit with them.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

January 31, 1960

DETERS: Robert Rayl — Wm. R. Love

ACONS: for January

ptain — Harry Harman, H-60254

Louis Culbertson

Marion Coburn

Gorden Welker

Paul Yentes

Cliff Travis

Garland Morroll

Whitney Thompson

Laurence Coleman

William Conrad

Solon Merriman

Cecil Beck

ACONESS: For January

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Mrs. William Caldwell

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COMING UP IN WORLD CALL IN FEBRUARY 1960

Three emphases will be found in the FEBRUARY issue of WORLD CALL. Evangelism is one of these and is featured by an interview with the new executive secretary of evangelism for the United Society. Another emphasis is on the Week of Communion on which readers will find a wealth of pictures and news. The emphasis on Race Relations comes in an article by a southern churchman.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The Christian Youth Fellowship members are sponsoring the Snack Time for School Christian Living at 6:30 P.M. January 15. We urge a large attendance for that evening. The Adults will meet in the Sanctuary at 5:30 for Bible Study; there are departmental classes for children; a nursery is open to care for babies.

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UNITED COUNCIL OF CHURCH WOMEN

The United Council of Church Women are honoring Mrs. Rosa Page Welch, noted singer and a member of the Disciples Motherhood, at a Coffee Hour to be held the Y.W.C.A. February 1st from 9:30 to 11 A.M.

NOTES

We announce with regret the loss of another fine family. Mr. and Mrs. Bret Young have moved from Fort Wayne and will make their future home in Phoenix, Arizona. Both Mr. and Mrs. Young have been very active and loyal members of First Christian for many years. They will be greatly missed by their friends in the Church. Our sincere good wishes go with them.

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DON'T STAY AWAY FROM CHURCH

Because you are poor. There is no admission charge.

Because it rains. You go to work in the rain.

Because it is hot. It's hot at your house, too.

Because it is cold. It's warm and friendly inside.

Because you don't like the preacher. He's human like you.

Because your job makes you tired. You may lose your job.

Because they are hypocrites. You associate with them daily.

Because no one invited you. People go to the movies without being begged.

Because you have little children. What if you didn't any longer have them. We have a well supervised nursery.

Because you have company. They will admire your loyalty if you bring them along; or tell them to wait until you get back.

Because you need a little week-end vacation. If your soul takes a vacation from God, it is not good.

Because your clothes are not expensive. Our church isn't supposed to be a fashion show anyway.

Because our church standard is too high. Take a look at the Bible standard if you think ours is high.

Because the church always wants money. So does the grocer.

Because you have plenty of time ahead of you to go. Are you sure you do?

—Selected

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Sunday, January 24

Church Worship Attendance	380
Church School Attendance	327
Regular Church Offering	752.78
Building Fund Offering	238.45
Church School Offering	93.64

Total Offerings\$1084.87

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Charles Dare, 4534 Wilmette, Thursday evening, February 4, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Roy Beal, Worship by Mrs. Ernest Kattas.

The Dr. Royal J. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. C. F. Durfee, 1018 College Street, Wednesday, February 3, at 1:30 P.M. Worship by Mrs. H. G. Helmuth, Program by Mrs. Paul Truby.

The Byron Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Rufus Quinn, 3916 Oak Park Dr. Wednesday, February 3, from 9 to 11 A.M. Worship by Mrs. Harold Addison, program by Mrs. Eural Rose.

The McGavran Circle members are postponing their February meeting. Instead they will attend the luncheon given by the Kepple Circle on Tuesday, February 3 at the Church.

The Paul Kepple Circle are having Luncheon at the Church on Tuesday, February 9, at 12:30 P.M. Mrs. Hubert Storck guest speaker, will show nature film and pictures of her recent European trip. All ladies of Church and friends are cordially invited to come. Luncheon \$1.00. Call for your reservations to Mrs. Wm. Crouse, H-67110, or the Church Office, H-6222 by early Monday, February 8.

Mrs. Harry Imbody wishes to take this means of thanking her friends for the letters, cards, prayers and visits while she was ill and in the hospital. They were greatly appreciated.

CHRISTIAN LIFE DEVELOPMENT LAB.

Four from this church have signed up to attend the Christian Life Development Lab next week, February 1 to 5, at We Creighton, 7 to 9 P.M. Mrs. Guy Maute, Harry Harman, Carl Smith, and James Shockney. Others wishing to attend these sessions, please call the office as soon as possible.

TALK BACK

Jack Barker and his brother, Harry, were constantly misunderstanding each other's motives. Both wanted to reconcile the situation but neither knows how to go about it. See "THE BROTHERS" on TALK BACK at 2 P.M. Sunday, January 31, WANE-TV.



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Number 19

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Several important announcements need your attention:

1. NO SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING UNTIL MARCH 20

This winter the School of Christian Living will be divided into two sections. The first one was concerned with the main themes of the Bible. Beginning again on March 20 and continuing till Palm Sunday we will consider "PERSONALITIES OF THE PASSION." We will examine the main personalities centering in our Lord's passion experiences.

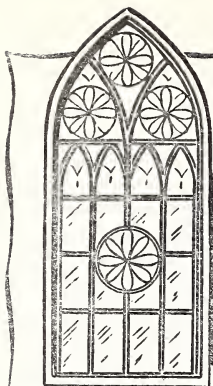
2. MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST — SATURDAY 8:00 A.M.

We are going to have a brief program relating to the Blood Bank of our city. We also want to set up our "prayer band" leaders. If someone gets ill we can call five men, and they in turn will call five others, and we can have a prayer band of at least twenty five Christian men praying for a cause or person.

3. The Fishermen's Club meets Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 P.M.

There has been a great amount of illness in our Church family, and we have truly missed our loyal and faithful friends. We have kept all of them in our daily prayers, and have spent portions of every day in hospitals and sickrooms, and in homes of shut-ins. Let's all get well and swell our worship service to overflowing this coming Lord's Day morning!

Sunday's Sermon: "ONCE TO EVERY MAN — THE MOMENT TO DECIDE."



For Today . . . and Tomorrow

Your church is the protecting wall around the American Way of Life . . . the most important rock in Democracy's foundation . . . Are You helping keep your church strong?

GOD'S CHURCH DEPENDS ON YOU

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

February 7, 1960

ELDERS: William Crouse—Walter Birkhold

DEACONS: for February

Captain—Jack Sweeney, K-4898

James J. Cain

William E. Bennett

Jack Brickley

Howard Howell

Earl Fusselman

Romane Cole

Omer Guingrich

John Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon Johns

Elmer Darwachter

DEACONESS: for February

Mrs. Harold Crowder

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN: for February

Mrs. Irene Cline

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PLEASE NOTE

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Our School for Christian Living will recess for the month of February and will be resumed Sunday, March 20, at which time the minister will talk on a series of subjects pertaining to the Easter Theme.

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As we keep or break the Sabbath, we nobly save or meanly lose the last, best hope by which man rises.

—Abraham Lincoln

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. C. D. Palmer, 2625 No. Wells St., Monday, February 8 at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. Palmer will give the program. The group will hold a Silent Auction.

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Pearl Heidecker, 4001 Indiana Ave. Monday, February 8 at 8 P.M. Miss Mildred will have the program; worship by Mr. Owen Vaught.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Keithley, 4437 Spatz on Tuesday, February 9, at 8 P.M. Mrs. Frances Moody will serve as co-hostess. Program by Mrs. C. R. Ludwig, worship by Mr. Garland Morrolf.

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YOUTH WEEK

January 31 — February 7

The theme for the week is "Thy Kingdom on Earth". The UCYM will sponsor special program on February 7. Our Youth will have a part in our service on Sunday, February 14.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Sponsors for the Primary Workshop during February are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Westerfield.

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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
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Officers	4	
	358	\$103.90

AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Cecelia Blair is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 134.

Mr. Fred Smell is a patient at Parkview Hospital, Room 437. His condition is slowly improving.

Mrs. Wm. R. Love suffered a broken ankle last week. She is at home.

Little Patty Wetzel is in Lutheran Hospital, on West 2.

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STORK NEWS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jesse at Lutheran Hospital, January 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neal are the parents of a new baby girl born at St. Joseph's Hospital January 27.

We extend our sincere best wishes and congratulations to these fine folk and their new babies.

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DR. JOHN L. PETERS, President, World Neighbors, Inc. will speak Monday evening, February 8, at 8 P.M. at Plymouth Congregational Church. His subject—"THE PRICE OF PEACE—YOUR CONCERN".

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IN SYMPATHY

It is with a deep sense of loss that we report the recent passing away of William Conrad, friend and faithful member of the Church. He will be greatly missed. Our heartfelt sympathy is with Mrs. Conrad in her time of great sorrow.

Services for Mr. Conrad will be held at 10:30 Saturday.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Men's Fellowship will hold a meeting Thursday evening, February 11, at 6:30 P.M. at the Auburn Church of Christ. Rev. W. C. Knight, missionary to Africa will be the guest speaker. Dinner \$1.00.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers for February 7, are given by Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Harts, in memory of Mrs. Harts sister.

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I hope that I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.

—George Washington

WEEK OF COMPASSION

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A special call to Disciples of Christ love and compassion . . .

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

January 31, 1960

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Church School Attendance	358
Regular Church Offering	799.69
Building Fund Offering	277.95
Church School Offering	103.90
Total Offerings	\$1181.54

LOVE ENDURES

45 million homeless people

"I will not leave you desolate, I come to you." John 14:1

60% of Arab refugees still live in mud wooden hut camps.

"He had compassion for them, because they were harassed." Matt. 9:36

2/3 world's people hungry

"For I was hungry and you gave me food." Matt. 25:35

6,000 refugees resettled in first six months of 1959.

"For the love of Christ controls us." 2 Cor. 5:14

125,000 Bibles and scripture portions tributed in West German camps in 1959.

"I will delight in thy statutes; I will forget thy Word." Psalms 119:16

800 refugee Hong Kong college students apply for service scholarships.

"Let each of you look not only to own interests, but also to the interests of others." Phil. 2:4

"Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends." 1 Cor. 13:4-8

2 Cor. 13:7

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A Brotherhood Dinner meeting will be held on Thursday, February 25 at 7 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend.

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I recognize the sublime truth announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by modern history that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.

—Abraham Lincoln

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The Church of Jesus Christ is the great balancing power between utter chaos and a world of safety and order.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

OUR RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT IS NOW 150 YEARS OLD

In 1809 at Washington, Pennsylvania, Thomas Campbell gave "The Declaration and Address" which is usually accepted as the date for the beginning of our brotherhood in the North American continent. Here is the way a gifted writer of our communion has expressed the spirit in which our brothers in Washington, Pennsylvania we celebrate this anniversary of 150 years of existence as a religious movement.

"Seven score and ten years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a restoration movement conceived in a desire for Christian unity, and dedicated to the proposition that the church of Christ on earth is essentially, intentionally, and constitutionally one. Now we are engaged in celebrating that event, considering how that plea and plan for Christian unity may best succeed. We are living on historic ground of that movement. We have come to rededicate ourselves to that movement for which stalwart men of God gave their full measure of devotion in long lives of faithful teaching and preaching, that the New Testament church might emerge and grow. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. Those sacrificial men, living and dead, who remained loyal to this ideal, have hallowed this movement for above our poor power to add, and we dare not detract. The world may little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but in our fields of labor we must let no one forget the plea we represent here. It is for us, the living, to be dedicated to the unfinished work of restoration which our fathers so nobly advanced. It is for us here to be dedicated to the monumental task remaining before us, that from these honorable leaders we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave their last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that they shall not have labored in vain; that this movement, under God, shall have a new birth of vitality; and that the plea for Christian unity of God's people, for God's people, and by God's people, shall not perish from the earth."

—By Francis M. Arant (with apologies to A. Lincoln)

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Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	41	5.03
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
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Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	20	1.90
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
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Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
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The "58" Class	25	12.85
J. E. Weicker		
Come-Double Class	37	18.00
Harold W. Crowder		
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Aaron Smith		
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Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	22	10.25
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	13.35
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	11	2.14
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
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Officers	3	
Totals	313	\$89.08

THE CORE OF LIFE

Buried deep within each person is a secret compartment. This has been called the "heart of man" because of its bedrock importance. This heart is not the physical pump which sends the blood through the body. It is the more private and personal part of our nature. The secrets of the heart are hidden from curious eyes and no X-ray can penetrate the recesses of the soul. Here is a "Holy of Holies" where God dwells. "And God gave Solomon largeness of heart." What goes on at the very core of personality determines everything we do. People act as they do because of a driving force deep within themselves. For instance, crime is committed because evil has taken possession of the heart. A man is driven from within by the powers of darkness; he is blinded by evil. His heart is controlled by the wrong Lord. The power of God alone can break the force. He can give us "largeness of heart" and set a new concern for the world within us (Eccl. 3:11). To obey Christ our Savior and Lord gives one a new power. The heart of man is occupied by the Spirit of God and he then moves according to a new inner life; "he is a new creation in Christ."

—Ronald C. MacCormack

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Disciples of Christ, in the coming Decade of Decision, need to recover an "evangelism that counts" — a vital approach to those outside the church . . .

. . . What is desperately needed is this flame, flickering and burning so low in isolated areas, may leap across the barren wastes of decadent church life and burst into a glow which will restore us, as a brotherhood, the pride and joy which is rightfully ours.

—Interview with Donald Salmon
p. 13, February World Call



**"...to GOD the things
that are GOD'S"
MATT. 22:21**

When our nation
proclaimed her independence, Freedom to Worship
was a basic principle.

**KEEP THAT LIBERTY SUPREME
DO NOT NEGLECT GOD'S HOUSE.**

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

February 14, 1960

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ACONS: for February

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Curtis Harts has been a patient in
Joseph's Hospital, Room 310.

Mrs. George Meyers is a patient in Park-
ew Hospital.

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As we keep or break the Sabbath, we
ably save or meanly lose the last, best
pe by which man rises.

—Abraham Lincoln

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our heartfelt sym-
pathy to Mr. Solon Merriman in the recent
loss of his brother, Hugh Merriman, who
passed away last Friday at Huntington,
Ind.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE

The Executive and General meetings of
the Christian Women's Fellowship has
been postponed until the **FOURTH TUES-**
DAY of February, the 23rd at 8 P.M.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Sponsors for the Primary Workshop dur-
ing February are Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Westerfield.

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If the battle of civilization is lost in the
schools, who is going to win it after-
wards? If the whole community is set
wrong in its education, what chances have
the clergy of being able to set it right
from the pulpit? To begin by starting the
community on the wrong road, in the
plastic period, and then, when it is grown
up, to send out the parson and the police-
men to bring it back — wat fool's enter-
prise could compare with that?

—L. P. Jacks

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February 7, 1960

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Church School Attendance	313
Regular Church Offering	718.25
Building Fund Offering	177.70
Church School Offering	89.08
Total Offerings	\$985.03

WEEK OF COMPASSION HISTORY and PURPOSE

... express the deep concern of Disciples of Christ in the projects of ecumenical fellowship and service.

... create an awareness regarding military and veterans services, including encouragement and assistance to civilians.

... alert Disciples of Christ to a keen appreciation of their responsibility to those in distress in other lands and to encourage their support to the greatest possible extent in order that the material benefits of those projects may be widespread, alleviating homelessness, illness, and despair without regard to race, color, or creed.

... develop the Christian values inherent in relief, reconstruction, and habilitation, not only in the Christian response to acute human need but also in the inevitable strengthening of Christ's witness around the world through the sharing of possessions in the spirit of Christ.

... bring about a greater understanding and realization of the brotherhood of the children of our Heavenly Father and to generate among the peoples of nations a mutual trust and an international friendship of people upon which alone can be built a solid structure of world unity and world peace.

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In that humble log cabin which was Lincoln's home they tell us that at one time there was but a single book, but it was the Book. With Almighty God for a scholar and His Book for a text, no wonder that scholar shook the world.

—John A. Shed



A MESSAGE FOR YOU

GOD'S message is direct to your heart, from the throne of the Most High...

Christ seeks to present that message to you. But it doesn't come special delivery. You have to call for it.

HEAR GOD'S MESSAGE IN HIS HOUSE SUNDAY



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

BROTHERHOOD DINNER

The Brotherhood Dinner began in 1938 on March 24. Tens of thousands of Disciples of Christ in hundreds of churches met on that date for an evening devoted to fellowship and to a consideration of their common ideals, purposes, plans, and their work around the world. It was felt by many that such a meeting would result in a better fellowship among the members of a church, and it would develop the larger fellowship, "the brotherhood," while at the same time sounding no narrow note of an excluding sectarianism. It was in reality not an appeal to a little loyalty but rather a call to the Disciples to accept a worthy place in the larger Christian movement of which they are a part; in brief, the ecumenical movement.

After the first year, the suggestion was made that churches might wish to make a gift in appreciation for the advancement of the world causes of the brotherhood. However, in 1941 a specific offering for the Churches of Christ Missionary Committee of Great Britain was taken. Because of the war, our British churches found it difficult to maintain their missionaries. In keeping with the idea of fellowship, the Brotherhood Dinner offered an opportune time for American Disciples to share in a larger fellowship in this very tangible way. Five thousand dollars was suggested as a goal, the amount received totaled \$13,009.66.

In 1943, the Committee on Relief Appeals promoted an offering through the churches or several agencies concerned with problems precipitated by World War II: International Missionary Council Orphaned Missions Fund, Central Bureau for Inter-Church Aid, Y.W.C.A. Emergency Fund, Y.M.C.A. War Prisoners Fund, Church Committee for China Relief, American Committee for Christian Refugees, American Bible Society, and American Friends Service Committee.

The first Week of Compassion was held in 1944. It grew directly out of the annual Brotherhood Dinner observance. Thus the interests of the Brotherhood Dinner were continued, but more than that, it gradually embraced the concerns of the Committee on Relief Appeals, the Committee on Military and Veterans Services, the Pension Fund dues for reserve chaplains, and other emergencies as they arose.

BROTHERHOOD DINNER — FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH — FEB. 25, 1960 — 6:30 P.M.

SERMON: "Christianity And The World's Needs"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

February 14, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	.55
Nursery Department	24	2.43
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	25	3.15
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	37	3.30
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	43	7.10
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
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Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	18	6.24
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.75
Officers	3	
Totals	337	\$110.22

NOTES

Mr. Walter Birkhold sent a coat in recent United Clothing Drive for Overseas. He had written his name on paper and placed it in the pocket of the coat. He is the reply he received and wishes to share with us:

"Saleh Abed Al Fattah
c/o Raqub Al Zuprah
Al-Wad, Old City
Jerusalem, Jordan

Dear Walter: January 22, 1960
I am very pleased to send you this first letter, hoping that it will reach you and you in a very good health.

I am a Jordanian man, 44 years of age, living in Jerusalem near the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, I have five sons, and I with my wife. The big one is called Fawzi, 23 years of age, Mohamoud, 19 years of age, and two daughters, and a small son Naffaz, 9 years of age.

I found your address in a brown card in a bundle, that I received it from U.N.A.R.W. I thank you very much for this. I want from you to tell me something about you and your family, your work in your country.

I hope that the correspondence will develop between us. With my best wishes and regards for you and your family, Ever yours,

Saleh Abed Al Fattah"

From this letter we are assured that a gift of clothing will be sent to a needy person in some part of the world.

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The Christian Men's Fellowship will meet this Saturday morning at 8 P.M. Fellowship Hall for their monthly meeting and program. Carl Smith, President.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

The Executive meeting will be held at the Chapel Tuesday evening, February 16 at 7:15 P.M. The General meeting will follow in the Church Parlor at 8 o'clock. After a short business session the program will be presented. The subject: "To Tell To All the World". The Higdon Circle in charge of hospitality, refreshments will be served by the Esther Circle.



Love Endures

Week of Compassion - February 21-28 1960

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The program consists of a skit entitled, "Not All Alone"; also, a film strip will be shown.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

February 14, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	403
Church School Attendance	337
Regular Church Offering	1059.41
Building Fund Offering	289.07
Church School Offering	110.22

Total Offerings\$1458.70

NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smell wish to thank this means of thanking the members of friends in the church for their cards, letters and prayers for Fred during his illness. They are and have been very helpful and appreciated.

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GREETINGS FOR BROTHERHOOD DINNER

Dear Christian Friends:

We wish to extend greetings on occasion of your Brotherhood Dinner. This is a time when we seek to express appreciation of the common bonds of Christian fellowship which make us people. In Christ we are one in fellowship, purpose, and dedication.

As we enter the "sacred sixties" — Decade of Decision — our prayer is with God's help we may more nearly be the people He intended us to be.

It is appropriate that during Brotherhood Week we observe a Week of Compassion. Our compassion offering may possibly a ministry in many areas which otherwise would go undone.

May the joys of sacrifice and mutual make this a memorable occasion in Christ.

Cordially yours,
Spencer P. Austin

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CLASS PARTIES

The Bereans are having a carry-in dinner and class party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bussard, 304 W. Peabody, Saturday evening at 7 P.M. Members are asked to bring their own table service.

The '58 Class are having a Class Party at the Church Saturday evening in Fellowship Hall.

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IN APPRECIATION

Mrs. William Conrad expresses sincere appreciation to friends for their kindness and thoughtfulness during the past trying days. The flowers were a great comfort to her.

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Our fathers have left us a rich spiritual legacy. Surely it is our duty not to squander it but to leave it replenished so that we, in our generation, may bequeath to those who come after us a tradition as noble as was left us.

Morality and religion are the two pillars of our society.

—George Washington, Farewell Address



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

You will be remembering I'm sure that this Sunday is the last day for your contribution to the WEEK OF COMPASSION offering. By next week our offering will be on its way to help relieve the torment and tragedy, disease and distress, hunger and hopelessness, of our needy world! Will you have had a part? If you have not had an opportunity as yet, then on behalf of those who may die without your help, may I urge you to share with someone who will otherwise go on believing that his God kills him to live as an animal . . . when you and I know otherwise!

Someone may well remark of our generosity when they see the word compassion, that there is more PASSING (the buck) than PASSION in our response. I'm certain that will not be true of the vast majority of the members of First Christian Church! You always have, and I'm certain always will, shared with those whose need is so terribly great! On behalf of millions who await the coming of help from your hands and hearts, I say, "THANK YOU, AND GOD BLESS YOU!"

Have you heard of the Sunday School Teacher who was teaching her class about the teaching of our Lord with Peter concerning becoming "fishers of men?" After the lesson she said, "And who catches men today?" and the answer came back quickly, "The policemen!" OUCH! . . . How true! The teacher had the final word however by saying, "Yes, a policeman catches men to take them before the Judge, but the Christians are to catch men to take them before the Saviour!"

Had you forgotten? How many have you asked to Church lately?

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "Comfort Ye My People"

To Whom does the word "YE" refer? Perhaps to YOU?

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Ogles, 304 E. Maple Grove, Tuesday, March 1, at 1:00. Program by Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau, Worship by Mrs. Hugh Rice.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Esther Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St., Thursday evening, March 3, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Irene Cline, Worship by Mrs. Ethel Allen. The group will have a **Baked Goods Silent Auction.**

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The Dr. Royal J. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. A. J. Young, 507 Lower Huntington Rd., Wednesday, March 2, at 1:30 P.M. Worship by Mrs. W. H. Imbody, Program by Mrs. C. F. Durfee.

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The Byron Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Eural Rose, 4001 Arlington, Wednesday morning, March 2, from 9 until 11 A.M. Program by Mrs. Eugene Tassler. Devotions by Mrs. Rufus Quinn.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

March 4, 1960

Service for World Day of Prayer will be held at Trinity English Lutheran Church on Friday, March 4, at 1:30 P.M. We urge you to attend.

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SOME MARKS OF A GOOD LAYMAN

He treats church finances at least as honorably as he treats the phone and milk bills.

He devotes his professional, business, or mechanical training and talent to the church.

He gives at least as much time to the church as he does to his lodge or service club.

He recognizes the value of just occupying a church pew faithfully.

He doesn't hesitate to commend the pastor when he thinks he deserves it.

He knows why he is a Christian and why he belongs to his particular congregation and communion.

He sees that if the church is worth belonging to, it is worth asking others to join.

From THE WORLD CALL

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Officers	4	
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WORSHIP

Is The Heart of Living

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

Psalms 122:1

DON'T MISS THE JOY OF WORSHIP

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE February 28, 1960

DEACONS: Wm. Caldwell — David Hogg
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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Number 1 project of the Christian Men's Fellowship is to have 100 men present at the March 19th meeting. Let's get sy, men!

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The Trustees of the Church wish to hire a man to take care of the lawn and church grounds this summer on salary. If there is anyone interested in this job, or knows anyone who might be interested, please call Mr. Glass, K-5280.

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The builders came to Congo with tremendous enthusiasm. They have had to be generous with their time and good humor, accepting the difficulties, sometimes camping out for long periods, and struggling with two new languages (with sometimes funny or exasperating results!). . . . Now across the vast Disciple area stand beautiful, well-constructed new buildings which extend the work of the Mission and add to the effectiveness of its program.

—Barbara Bates Dade

OUR MINISTER AND WIFE TO ATTEND WORLD CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Wascovich have now completed travel and housing reservations for their trip to Europe this summer in connection with the World Convention at Edinburgh, Scotland, August 2-8. They are applying for passports this week and the preacher says that it begins to look like they might make it if he can just get Alma to the Queen Elizabeth at New York City on July 7. He knows he won't have any trouble getting her on at London for the return trip after being away from the children for four weeks.

By Church Board action several months ago it was decided that we wanted our minister and wife to represent our congregation among the 1600 delegates from the United States and 3,000 from around the World at the World Convention of our people which is held but once in every five years.

Our Church Secretary, Mrs. Vaught, also plans to attend the World Convention, leaving on the Queen Elizabeth around July 27. Others thinking of making this trip should immediately mail their application to Mr. H. B. Holloway, 212 So. Downey, Indianapolis.

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STORK NEWS

A new little daughter, Roberta Leigh, was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Smith last Saturday, February 20. Mother and Babe are doing nicely. We wish to congratulate these parents, and welcome the new baby.

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Protestants seem to have forgotten that laymen, not only in point of their preponderant numbers but in the essence of things, are the church.

—James E. Wagner

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Church School Attendance	297
Regular Church Offering	697.15
Building Fund Offering	292.50
Church School Offering	80.59
Week of Compassion	190.37

Total Offerings\$1260.61

WEEK OF COMPASSION

What of the Future?

The Week of Compassion is testimony that Disciples of Christ are concerned beyond themselves. The world has changed drastically since the close of the war. spiritual needs of service men and communities, the rehabilitation of millions of refugees and distressed people, the needs of historic church bodies for encouragement and support demand increased rather than diminished concern.

The end is not yet, nor is it a time of complacency. Christian "compassion" is not merely an emotional response to temporary crises. Ours is a continuing culture. Not all post-war changes have been negative, but the crisis culture continues. Both the World Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches include long-term rehabilitation projects. The Disciples' Council on Christian Unity through its Department of Ecumenical Services, coordinates the participation in church aid.

Increasingly Disciples desire to participate in these significant ecumenical projects. They desire to meet the calls for relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, services to military and defense camp communities. The need for compassion remain so long as people are in need of the ministry of Christian love.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

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See YOU there!

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COMPASSION IS

Concern
Understanding
Long-suffering
Kindness
Tenderness
Fellow-feeling
Mercy
Yearning
Forbearance
Suffering with another
Sympathy
Charity
Love

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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Number 23

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Just a word of praise and thanksgiving for all of you who made possible the sending of \$520.00 for the WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING. That amount will seem small alongside the staggering amounts you may read about in the morning paper; amounts that are spent on missiles and muscles, etc., but it will lift a tremendous burden from the hearts and minds and bodies of men and women, boys and girls, for whom Christ died. God bless you for sharing! God bless you for Caring! Add your prayers to mine as our offering goes out to help feed . . . clothe . . . house . . . heal . . . and save a needy world!

Wednesday of this week, March 2, was a day when millions of Christians of Communions other than our own began their spiritual quest for a fuller walk with Christ. They call it Lent. Oh yes, to be sure, there is nothing at all in the Bible that talks about Lent . . . in fact historically the period called Lent was relatively late in developing among the Christian people. However, our Lord did urge His followers to withdraw from the tumult of the mob and seek for a deeper fellowship with God! Call what you may, and I personally have no reluctance to use the term—Lent, God knows every one of us needs a period when we use fasting . . . prayer . . . meditation . . . Bible Study . . . and quiet periods to refresh our commitment to our Lord, and to deepen our spiritual awareness of His indwelling Spirit.

May the days that lie ahead in this period of approaching springtime be a period marked by your own deepening consecration to spiritual verities. Spend much time in secret with Christ our Lord. Have days when you literally fast in order to devote that time to prayer and quiet meditation of God's Word!

Pray without ceasing . . . at home . . . at work . . . at play!

Do something special in the way of commitment of life to Jesus!

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "DREAMS THAT MAKE US AFRAID"



Christ IS THE CENTER

When Christ is given His rightful place, there's an inner glow of personal peace.

LET CHRIST'S LOVE FILL YOUR HEART

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Number 1 project of the Christian Men's Fellowship is to have 100 men present at the March 19th meeting. Let's get busy, men!

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NOONDAY LENTEN SERVICES

March 2 through April 14

These services will be held each day during Lent excepting Saturday and Sunday. They will be held in the Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Wayne and Webster Streets.

The organist begins playing at 12:00 noon and the service concludes promptly at 12:30. Different ministers bring the devotional message each day. Attend as often as possible and urge others to attend!

NOTES

You will be interested and concerned to learn that Mrs. Margaret Freund's mother is seriously ill. Mrs. Freund can be reached at 4159 W. Adams St., Chicago Ill., c/o George Byers.

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Mrs. Fifer, sister to Jerry Brubaker is a patient at Irene Byron Sanatorium. She is a member of our church, Central Christian, at Anderson, Indiana.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Paul Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Walter Marks, 4705 Lafayette, on Tuesday afternoon March 8 at 1 P.M. Worship by Mrs. L. H. Higginson. Program by Mrs. Cecil Rice.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. William Wetzel, 3208 S. Anthony, on Tuesday evening, March 8, at 8 P.M. Mrs. Aaron Smith is co-hostess. Program by Mrs. Robert Perkins.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Wm. Conrad, 1301 Lynn Ave., on Monday evening, March 14th at 8 P.M.

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CWF are saving: Nylon hose, stamps, Betty Crocker coupons.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER March 4, 1960

Service for World Day of Prayer will be held at Trinity English Lutheran Church on Friday, March 4, at 1:30 P.M. We urge you to attend.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

February 28, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	8	.80
Nursery Department	24	1.66
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	2.46
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	39	4.27
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	47	7.45
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	17	2.20
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	17	1.90
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
"58" Class	19	10.00
J. E. Weicker		
Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	44	24.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Teen Class	25	8.90
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	35	21.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Family Class	17	6.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	5	1.08
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	8.75
Harry Harman		
Officers	3	
Totals	333	\$97.47

"KIDS COST SO DARNED MUCH"

Two fathers were talking. One of them said, complainingly, "My son costs me like the dickens. He's always asking for money for clothes, for books, car fare, lunch, allowance, and what have you. Gets to be quite a burden. Gosh, kids cost so darned much!"

"My boy does not cost me a dollar," replied the second father, with a deep note of sadness in his voice.

"How come?" asked the first father.

"Well, you see," said the second father with a voice choked with emotion, "we lost him a few months ago."

The first father thought, and he thought seriously and deeply. He knew well that his friend would give all he possessed to have his son back with him, to hear his laughter, to share his good cheer and to romp and play with him.

Such experiences as these give us pause and demand some sober reflection. We would complain less and thank God more if we realized as we should the joy of life and the pleasure of having those we love around us.

There is something of a parable of the church in this very connection. Any church that is alive and pulsating with vitality needs revenue. Only dead churches do not call on their members to give.

As long as the church stands, and as long as it seeks to serve, it will need money to carry on its program for the Lord. The church is designed to reach around the world, to seek and to save the lost. It is commissioned to go out and bring to Christ the lost and the least in every corner of the globe. It takes missionaries to do that. It takes money to choose, train, finance and sustain missionaries. It takes ministers to fulfill that commission. They must be trained, sustained and encouraged. Church School literature, buildings, repairs, water, lights, gas,—these take money.

Where does the church get its money to keep itself alive, active and serving? It has no investments and engages in no business enterprises except God's business. So, its life depends upon the unselfish giving of its members and friends. Just so, the lives of its members depends upon their unselfishness. Happy people are giving people.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

February 28, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	417
Church School Attendance	333
Regular Church Offering	815.53
Building Fund Offering	198.35
Church School Offering	97.47
Week of Compassion	304.95
Total Offerings	\$1416.30

NOTES

Beginning next Sunday morning Harry Harman will teach the Men's Class. Mr. James Naile will be the teacher of High School Class.

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Mr. & Mrs. Harold Pritchard wish to thank this means of expressing their deep appreciation for the prayers, cards and visits of their many friends in the Church, while Mr. Pritchard was in the hospital.

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We are happy to inform our folks that Fred Smell is now at home beginning recuperation to health.

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PASTOR'S CLASS

The Pastor's Class begins on Saturday morning March 12, from 10 to 11 A.M. for youth interested in studying the purpose and meaning of a Christian life may attend this Class.

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FRIENDLY BIBLE CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain, 2903 Capitol Avenue on Friday evening, March 4, at 8 P.M.

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STORK NEWS — FEBRUARY

Mr. and Mrs. David Crebb are the parents of a little daughter.

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A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Koehlinger. Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Schell are the grandparents.

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A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Case.

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Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Shallenberger are the parents of a new little girl.

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Jenifer Lee came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Dare on February 24. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dare are the happy grandparents.

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Dear Christian Friends:

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Last week I was deeply moved by a wonderful letter from a young man serving his nation aboard the USS Ranger on its way to Japan. His fine family had sent along this Tidings and the Week of Compassion material and in response J. C. Bolton sent along his gift for the relief of distressed areas of the world! He wrote: "it tears at my heart to see people suffer that way . . . and I want to be able to help in some way." Thank God for young men like that! He asks for our prayers so that he and some of his friends can expand their Prayer and Bible Study Group! There is a "secret weapon" that the Russian leaders need to fear — praying, God-fearing, Christian men in the service of their nation! Remember those lads in your prayers!

Someone has written, "To call Jesus, 'Lord', is orthodoxy; to call Him 'Lord, Lord' impiety; but to call Him 'Lord, Lord' and not do the things which He has commanded blasphemy!" HOW TRUE! The admonition of the scripture is "let us not be weary in well DOING." Christian faith lies in the **d o i n g**, much more so than in the mere **b e l i e v i n g**!

Harry Emerson Fosdick has said there are three ways we can cooperate with God, **thought, work, prayer!** Are your thoughts on how to please God? Are your days spent working for the Master? Do you pray without ceasing? Let's cooperate with our God more fully!

Sunday's Sermon: "GOD'S SELF-DISCLOSURE"

YOU CAN ENJOY



The Beauty of Living

DO YOU SEEK

The radiance of real happiness . . . the lilt of joyous living . . . the loveliness of peaceful contentment?

THE LIFE BEAUTIFUL IS CHRIST'S CREATION

HEAR MORE ABOUT IT SUNDAY

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March 13, 1960

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NEW MEMBERS — February

We are happy to list the names of the families who became a part of our great Church family during the month of February.

Elbert and Ruth O'Laughlin, from Fairmount, Illinois, by baptism.

Ralph and Della Weesner and their daughter Carole, from our Church at Garrett, Indiana.

Richard and Erma Vanderwall and children, Jan and Marlo, from Hazelwood Church at Muncie.

Mrs. Viola Wesling, a previous member here was re-instated.

We sincerely welcome these families into the love and fellowship of this Church.

Master Gary Parkerson, 9 years old, was baptized into Christ, last Sunday morning.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Baby Greg Roth was a patient in Lutheran Hospital last week.

Mrs. Mabel Burnworth was a patient Room 563 Lutheran Hospital.

Susan Van Fossen was a patient Lutheran Hospital, Room 410.

Little Audrey Coburn was taken to Pavilion Hospital last Friday.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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Any man who is too busy to pray busier than God ever intended he should be.

—Baptist Recorder

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Senior High Department	14	2.10
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J. E. Weicker		
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Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
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Friendly Class	12	12.85
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Babies Bible Class	3	.45
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	3.25
Harry Harman		
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SALAD LUNCHEON

The members of the Montgomery Circle are having a Salad Luncheon next Tuesday, March 15 at 12:30 in Fellowship Hall. For tickets (75c) see any member of the Group. A Sitter will be here to care for babies in Nursery. For other information call Mrs. George Bruckman, T-0459.

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Praise not thy work, but let thy work praise thee;

For deeds, not words, make each man's memory stable,

If what thou dost is good, its good all men will see;

Musk by its smell is known, not by its label.

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PASTOR'S CLASS

The first session of the Pastor's Class will begin this Saturday morning, March 12, at 10 A.M. for youth of Chi Rho and Junior age. They will discuss the rudiments of the Christian Faith. Classes will be dismissed promptly at 11 A.M.

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APPRECIATION

Mrs. Wm. R. Love wishes to thank all her friends in the church for their prayers, cards, visits and many little kindnesses shown her during the time of her inactivity, due to a broken ankle.

Mrs. Cecelia Blair also wishes to take this means of thanking all her friends in the church who were so kind and thoughtful in visiting her and sending cards and greetings during her recent illness.

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NOTES

We were sorry to hear of the misfortune which came to Max and Lois Finkhausen last week when their home was partially destroyed by fire. We are happy to report — no one was injured.

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Regular Church Offering	677.50
Building Fund Offering	202.60
Church School Offering	90.30

Total Offerings\$970.40

VACATION SCHOOLS

An institute for Vacation School work is being planned by our Children's Work Committee. Mrs. Clyde Eulitt is chairman. Dates of institute—April 25 and 26. Textbooks for Vacation Schools are available in our office.

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DO NOT SOUND A TRUMPET ----

Do not sound a trumpet before thee said Jesus. (Matt. 6:2.) Do not court attention all the time. Mark well the man who drops a coin in so vigorously that rings all over the sanctuary. After he drops it in, he looks up sanctimonious. His false piety makes him think he has paid one week's rent on his mansion the skies, and he wants everybody know it. He is sounding a trumpet before him. Whenever you see charity on parade you can be sure that there is very little charity in it. Whenever you see humility publicized, you can be sure that it is the self-conscious form of humility which but another name for pride. Charles Lamb said, "the greatest pleasure I know is to do a good action by stealth, and to have found it out by accident." The right kind of person does not sound a trumpet before him. The Apostle Paul in I Cor. 13 said that loves makes no parade. Love never seeks the headlines. The person who truly loves God and His Christ is never a headline hunter. For the more a man is like Jesus, the less he knows it. Paul, a very earnest follower of Jesus, said that he was "less than the least of all saints" (Eph. 3:8). The finest of the saints are sure they are the worst of sinners. Love makes no parade. Saints sound no trumpets before them. Why should we court attention at the time? Just being noticed will leave us unsatisfied at last. This is the shallowest of reward. The reward that has substance to it is the kind that comes from doing good silently and deliberately avoiding attention.

—Charles H. Schmitz

**SUNDAY
IS**

THE LORD'S DAY

*A Day
of Worship*

On vacation or at home
do not neglect church
attendance.

GOD EXPECTS YOU



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Dear Christian Friends:

MEN, just a reminder that this Saturday morning is our C.M.F. breakfast. We will meet at 8:00 and be out at 9:00 A.M. After the breakfast the minister will present an interesting program centered about the learned processes of behaviour, and the Christian religion's responsibility for creating a climate for the new behaviour patterns one Christ should possess. It will be DIFFERENT! I promise it will be FUN! I assure you it will be BENEFICIAL!

Sunday morning we are looking for an overflowing congregation of seeking Christians! This is the season of the year when our hearts turn Godward and when there comes a quickening of our spirits by His. The choir and the special music has been extraordinarily lovely. We have heard from many of our shut-ins and "stay-at-homes," and they tell us that the broadcasts are of great merit and value. So very many of you took time to tell the minister and the choir members how very lovely the morning worship service was this past Sunday morning. Many said it was unusually "sweet," and must agree. There are mornings when it seems God is so close to us and the whole worship experience is one of "sweetness" and becomes a real blessing. Each of the services from now until Easter ought to be outstanding in their contribution to our spiritual development. My prayer is that you will not let just any reason prevent you from attending the worship services of your Church. Make the following Sundays a "must" in your household!

Sunday's sermon: "5 GATES TO HELL, CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE." This was the title to a movie seen on the Marquee of the Clyde Theater during the past winter. I have pondered on this idea for a long time, and I believe there really are at least five gates to hell, and I believe there is a continuous performance! What are the five gates to hell: (hell on earth in the here and now; and in any hell that might come in the hereafter).
 a narrow mind
 a closed heart
 a clinched fist

The other two I shall use I will tell you Sunday morning, but you think about these until then!

School of Living 5:30 P.M. "SIMON OF CYRENE" . . . THE MINISTER

Are You a



ONE-TIME CHRISTIAN

Regular attendance at every service of your church will place you in a position so that God can more richly bless you . . . Don't miss a service.

THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER

AT THE EVENING HOUR

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ATTEND SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

School for Christian Living begins this Sunday evening and ends with an Easter Cantata by the Choirs on Palm Sunday.

"Simon, The Cyrene" is the topic of this Sunday's study and discussion, at 5:30 P.M. Snack time at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall, at which time all groups will join in an hour of friendship and fellowship.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Little Patty Wetzel underwent a tonsilectomy last Thursday. She is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Scott Powers is seriously ill at Lutheran Hospital, Room 137.

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In humbleness, O Lord, I ask
That Thou bestow on me
The will and strength to do some task
For growth of love for these;

Some task, not of my chosen will —
For wisdom is not mine —
But let my frailsome life fulfill
Some perfect thought of thine.

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IN SYMPATHY

Mrs. Lona Miller recently lost a ve dear Sister-in-law. We wish to expre to her our sincere sympathy at this tin of sorrow.

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WEDDING BELLS

Wedding Bells rang out for Fern Gray and Paul Kenline on March 5; And, for Janet McFarland and Rayford Loftin on March 12.

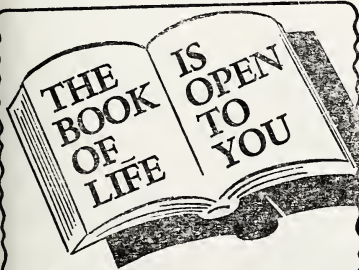
Congratulations and best wishes for happiness to these folk.

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For every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled; but he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." — St. Luke 18:14
He humbled himself — When we humble ourselves, then no one can humiliate us. Humility cannot be humiliated. Humility is taking the lowest place; and when we have taken the lowest place, our next move can only be higher. Pride and arrogance can be humiliated. Humility does not change the outside world. It is still the hard world, full of sin and suffering; but humility does change our attitude toward sin and suffering. Humility puts us among the neediest. We share their suffering and because pride is gone from us we can help them. This is why our Lord Jesus Christ was born in a stable. He took the lowest place and He can lift us to the presence of God.

—George Arthur Frantz

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Church School Attendance 351
Regular Church Offering 1035.16
Building Fund Offering 224.75
Church School Offering 98.25

Total Offerings\$1358.16

HEAR ANDREW W. CORDIER

The Department of World Fellowship
presenting Dr. Andrew W. Cordier, Assis-
tant General Secretary of the United Na-
tions, at a special luncheon program, Mo-
day, March 21. This luncheon is at 12:
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You will enjoy the friendly
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teaching... deepening of your
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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

What a truly inspirational experience it was to be present Sunday morning in the First Christian Church! There was a filled Sanctuary and balcony, a truly great choir, and a most beautiful duet, or was it a sextet? There were several strangers who made the effort to call the minister's home, and also the church office to tell him how very much they appreciated the worship service on the radio. Each week to date we have received letters telling how much the services have meant to our sick and shut-ins. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if we could plan by next year to be able to broadcast our services every Sunday morning?

The C.M.F. had some 30 men at their prayer breakfast last Saturday morning. A very enjoyable time was had by all the men present, and we are looking forward to repeat things in the C.M.F.I

The C.M.F. are bringing to Fort Wayne, and the First Christian Church, one of the truly great leaders in the field of foreign missions. Dr. Virgil Sly is the head of the Dept. of Foreign Missions of our own United Christian Missionary Society, and is one of the vice presidents of the World Council of Churches, at work in the field of foreign missions. Here is one of the most able men in the world in the field of missionary work and problems, its privileges and opportunities. You won't want to miss hearing him! The men will be selling tickets for the breakfast at \$1.00, and THE LADIES ARE INVITED. No speaker has come to Fort Wayne in recent months who has the ability to challenge Christian people as has Dr. Sly. To miss this opportunity to hear him would be a real spiritual loss. Therefore, we are inviting the women to come and share breakfast with us and the program, or they can come just for the program if they desire.

DR. VIRGIL SLY

APRIL 16, 1960

8:00 A.M.

\$1.00

Sunday's Sermon: "THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE REDEEMED — THE CHURCH"

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the General Fellowship meeting in Apr
April is the dead-line especially for t
Blessing Boxes as they are to be present
and dedicated at the Indiana State Co
vention in May.

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Young mothers who bring their babi
to the Nursery on Sunday mornings a
asked to mark their diaper bags wi
their names as it is difficult for the Nur
to distinguish the bags one from anothe
We shall greatly appreciate your coope
ation in this matter.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bassett have bee
serving as sponsors for the Primary Wor
shop during March.

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OUR PRAYER RCORNER

Mrs. Wava Mills, a member of Come
Double Class, has been ill in Lutherca
Hospital.

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Little Cheryl Smith, daughter of Mr. an
Mrs. Forrest Smith, is ill with chicken po

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Mrs. Charles Pyle, mother of Mrs. F. I
Worrell, is a patient in Lutheran Hospita
Room 246.

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Mrs. Eva Mosier is a patient in St. Jo
seph's Hospital, Room 261.

Mrs. Marie Redman is a patient in S
Joseph's Hospital, Room 467.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

A number of our youth have been hor
ored by their Schools for their high scho
lastic achievement: Carol Purdy, Susa
Van Fossen and Allan Flowers were elec
ed to the National Honor Society of the
School, and Lowell Swift achieved th
Four-year Honor Roll. Congratulation
and best wishes to these young people.

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A PRAYER

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, li
our hearts this day as we make supplica
tion to Thee for the forgiveness of ou
wrongs and sins and pray for a renewa
of the righteous life within us.

Forgive us, O God, for our faulty fol
lowing of the Master, our hesitating belie
in his power to save, our timid answers to
his call for service; our stupidity in the
meaning of his cross, for all that mar
our discipleship, and makes it difficult fo
others to believe in Him. Help Thy people
O God, to be penitent in their hearts, give
them power to overcome evil, and enable
us sincerely to live according to Thy wil
and create within us a growing likeness
to Jesus Christ our Lord.

Jesus Asks

**"LOVEST
THOU
ME"**

Just as Christ queried Simon Peter with the soul-searching question, so also He asks you:

HIS COMMAND: "Feed My Sheep,"
has not been modified or diminished.

Those who love Christ will find joy in worship in His House . . . They will not neglect regular attendance.

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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Frank M. Moody

Robert Hendricks

Orville Moody

Myron M. Cole

Edwin R. Allen

John C. Varner

Robert Ogles

R. Musselman

John L. Jefferies

Phillip Uhl

ACONESS for MARCH:

Mrs. William Caldwell

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN for MARCH:

Mrs. Paul Truby

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The School for Christian Living was well ended last Sunday evening, but we missed you! The Minister's subject for discussion next Sunday is, "Judas." This promises to be very interesting. Why not me?

The members of the Berean Class have charge of the Snack and Fellowship.

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Church School Attendance 355
Regular Church Offering 748.12
Building Fund Offering 147.30
Church School Offering 85.79

Total Offerings \$981.21

Is thy cruse of comfort failing?
Rise and share it with another,
And through all the years of famine
It shall serve thee and thy brother.

Love divine will fill thy storehouse
Or thy handful still renew;
Scanty fare for one will often
Make a royal feast for two.

For the heart grows rich in giving—
All its wealth is living gain;
Seeds which mildew in the garner
Scattered fill with gold the plain.

Is thy burden hard and heavy?
Do thy steps drag wearily?
Help to bear thy brother's burden;
God will bear both it and thee.

Numb and weary on the mountains,
Wouldst thou sleep amidst th snow?
Chafe that frozen form beside thee,
And together both shall glow.

Are thou stricken in life's battle?
Many wounded round thee moan:
Lavish on their wounds thy balsam,
And that balm shall heal thine own.

Is thy heart a well left empty?
None but God the void can fill.
Nothing but the ceaseless fountain
Can its ceaseless longings fill.

Is the heart a living power?
Self-entwined its strength sinks low.
It can only live in loving
And by serving love will grow.

—Copied

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Holy

A SACRED
TRUST

The Tithe Is a Sacred
Trust from God...

The Way You Han-
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to God.

BRING THE TITHE
TO GOD'S HOUSE
ON GOD'S DAY



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Dear Christian Friends:

Men, remember the MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST this coming Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. This will be our morning for devotions and the quiet fellowship of prayer in the Chapel. A splendid opportunity for deepening your spiritual life.

THERE WILL BE TWO WORSHIP SERVICES ON PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER MORNING. We would like to see the House of God filled to capacity twice on each of these special days. If you will invite your friends and neighbors to one of these services, we will make it.

The sermon themes for the coming Sundays are as follows:

- April 3: "I Crucified the Christ of God".
- 10: "The Tragedy of Human Pretensions".
- 17: "The Festival of the Dawn".
- 24: "When Jesus Attended A Summit Meeting".

Did you attend Bible School last Sunday? Do you plan to attend a Bible Study class this coming Sunday? Why not? Do you really feel that you know enough of God's will for your life, or do you believe that Bible School is for Children? Nothing could be further from the truth . . . the Bible is the only prescription for a sane world, and our insane world is the result of adults who ignored the Word of God because they felt it was for children! The Christian Education department, under the guidance of Dave Hogg is planning to make our Bible School truly a BIBLE School. The classes will all be geared to reveal God's will to youth and adult alike. You come and see.

TWO SERVICES HELD!

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Olos Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Porter will share the responsibility of Primary Workshop for the month of April.

PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class have as a project for the sale of China plates decorated with a picture of our Church. These plates sell at \$2.00 each. We are sure YOU will want one of these lovely plates. Mrs. Rufus Quinn is in charge of sales. The proceeds from this project will go to purchase new coat racks for the Narthex.

Mr. and Mrs. James Naile, 5324 Kyle Road will hold Open House at their home for Mrs. Naile's mother, Mrs. Helen Sapsford, Thursday evening, April 7, from 6 to 10 P.M. Mrs. Sapsford will leave for her home in New Zealand, April 9th. All members and friends in the Church are cordially invited.

On Easter the Church strikes the note of praise and sings of victory. Faith overcomes the world and its sorrows, and sees the Celestial City shining beyond the river.

Those who have given Christ a place in their hearts know He has risen from the dead, because He lives in them.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mr. O. G. Schell, 3020 So. Lafayette St., Wednesday afternoon, April 6, at 1:30. Mrs. Ward Bundy is assistant hostess. Worship by Mrs. A. J. Young, Program by Miss Minnie Kemper.

The McGavran Circle will meet in the Church Parlor Tuesday, April 5 at 1:00 P.M. Mrs. Earl Fusselman and Mrs. Roxy Wundt are co-hostesses. Worship by Mr. John Hoop, Program by Mrs. Robert Ogle.

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Have you ever felt the joy of winning a soul to Christ? I tell you there is no joy this side of heaven which excels it — the grasp of the hand of one who says, "Your means I was turned from darkness to light."

—C. H. Spurgeon

The missionary enterprise is not the church's afterthought. It is the Church's forethought. It is not secondary and optional, it is primary and vital.

—John McDowell

EASTER GOALS

The Easter goal for Church and Church School is \$1,000. The attendance goal for Church School is 500.

The silver coins of our Country carry the insignia, "In God We Trust". It is because of our faith in God that we are constrained to share our treasure so that the world may know Him. It is because of our trust in God that we accept this challenge for the World Church.

We know that He provides the strength and the way by which this task can be financed. It is up to us to follow the Way.

Each Class will have a separate goal for offerings, and one for attendance. These will be announced later.

Jesus taught the coming of the kingdom of God, but this included also a new national morality for kingdoms of this world. He condensed the law into two sentences: "Love God!" and "Love Your Neighbor."

—Sir Hall Caine

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April 3, 1960

DERS: William Love — William Crouse
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 Annie Kemper will serve as co-hostess.

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An atheist had inscribed on his tomb-
 stone: "This tomb, sealed for eternity, must
 never be opened." A seed fell into a crack
 and the whole tomb became a mass of
 crumbling ruins, around the base of a grow-
 ing tree.

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March 27, 1960

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Church School Attendance	369
Regular Church Offering	988.17
Building Fund Offering	169.60
Church School Offering	98.67

Total Offerings\$1256.44

PARENTS — PLEASE NOTE!

It has been suggested that young of Junior or Chi Rho age, either at Junior Church or sit in the Sanctuary during the Morning Worship Services.

Only one young girl will be allowed as helper in the Nursery at any one time. They MUST sign up for the Sunday to wish to share in this responsibility. ask your cooperation in this matter.

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Young mothers who bring their babies to the Nursery on Sunday mornings are asked to mark their diaper bags with their names as it is difficult for the Nursery to distinguish the bags one from another. We shall greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

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NEGLECT SUNDAY SCHOOL



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Several important announcements need to be made relative to the next few weeks.

1. Friday evening — April 8th — Carry-in dinner for all the teachers in the Bible School, the Dept. of Christian Education, and the officers of the adult classes. This is a meeting of the above mentioned people and their husbands or wives as the case may be. (Ministers and Co-superintendents will be there also). Much effort is being made to make our Bible School a real adventure in Christian education. The teachers and officers are the key to a great Bible School that is Christ-centered.
2. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES — 12:00 to 3 P.M. — Lincolnshire Church of the Brethren. Rev. Wascovich will bring the meditation on the fourth Word Christ spoke from the Cross, the word of LONELINESS.
3. Saturday, April 16th, 8:00 a.m. . . . DR. VIRGIL SLY, Head of the Division of Foreign Missions, and Vice President of the World Council of Churches, will bring the message of the Church in Mission around the world. He will spend much of April in Europe dealing first-hand with problems confronting the church around the world. He will come to us fresh from this confrontation and will challenge us with a true picture of the world as it is, and the church as it is, and as it ought to be.
WOMEN are invited to attend the Breakfast, as well as the men. The price of the breakfast and program will be \$1.00 per person. A committee is working on a very fine breakfast menu, and Dr. Sly is worth going to hear at any time, and at almost any price!

TWO MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES ON PALM SUNDAY AND ON EASTER SUNDAY

The Schedule of Services: 8:00 - 9:00 A.M. Worship.
9:15 - 10:15 A.M. Bible School.
10:30 - 11:45 A.M. Worship.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 3, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	14	.60
Nursery Department	33	3.10
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	26	2.50
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	41	4.63
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	37	5.05
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	27	3.68
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	23	3.96
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	34	19.20
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	51	31.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	24	7.40
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	32	20.75
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
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Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	6	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	8.00
Harry Harman		
Officers	3	
Totals	388	\$142.77

CHRISTIAN WOMENS FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Kepple Circle will meet with M David Hogg, 3233 Chancellor Drive, Tu day afternoon, April 12 at 1 P.M. P gram by Mrs. Cecil Rice, Worship by M John McFarland.

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The Byron Spice Circle will meet Ap 13th from 9 to 11 A.M. at the home of M Eugene Salyards, 4333 Queen. Devotic by Mrs. Eugene Tassler, Program by M Rufus Quinn.

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The Esther Circle will meet with M R. Blaine Jones, 3809 Brentwood Av Monday evening, April 11th.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet w Mrs. Wm. Bennett, 3803 Wenonah La Tuesday, April 12, at 8 P.M. Mrs. Char Ludwig, is co-hostess. Program by M John Olson, Devotions by Mrs. L. M. C bertson.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet w Mrs. Paul Kenline, 4010 So. Calhoun S Monday evening, April 11, at 8 P.M.

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All members are asked to bring their n lon hose, special issue stamps and Bless ing Boxes to their next Circle meeting the General Fellowship meeting in Apr April is the deadline especially for t Blessing Boxes as they are to be present and dedicated at the Indiana State Co vention in May.

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SACRIFICIAL SERVICE APRIL 12, 6:30 P.M.

We will meet in the Sanctuary at 6: for the opening of our Sacrificial Service All our women and friends are cordial invited to attend this inspirational Com munion Service.

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MISS ROSE SPEAKS

In last Sunday's opening exercises, Mi Erin Rose, South Side High School studen gave a remarkable dissertation on the li of Saint Paul. Her remarks showed studious appreciation of his character ar work.

Under the supervision of James H. Nail 5324 Kyle Road, there will be a series such talks on the first and third Sundo of each month by high school student If you have someone you would like recommend, please telephone Mr. Nail at S-3789.

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CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION

Holy Week Candlelight Communion Se vice will be held on Thursday evening April 14, at 7:30 P.M. in Church Sanctuary



PALM SUNDAY — EASTER

We will hold two services on Palm Sunday and Easter. The Early Service will be at 8:00 A.M., Church School 9:15, Second Service at 10:30.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' MEETING

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LeRoy Timbrook

Edwin R. Hall

James H. Naile

William E. Franklin

Berton Purdy

William P. Vunora

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James P. Heavin

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Earl A. Plummer

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

These are the members who have entered our Church family in the month of March:

Mr. and Mrs. Neil F. Schwarz, R.R. 7, Adams Center Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Block, 4501 So. Hanna Street.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

April 3, 1960

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Building Fund Offering	345.20
Church School Offering	142.77

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EASTER GOALS FOR MISSIONS — \$1000 CHURCH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR

EASTER — 500

Suggested Goals	Offering	Attendance
Men's Class	\$100.00	10
Ladies Bible Class	20.00	10
Friendly Class	40.00	20
Progressive Class	100.00	50
Berean Class	100.00	40
Come-Double Class	150.00	60
'58 Class	50.00	50
High School Dept.	40.00	40
Junior High Dept.	15.00	30
Junior Department	25.00	50
Primary Department	10.00	50
Kindergarten	5.00	30
Nursery	4.00	30
Babies & Toddlers	2.00	10

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Palm Sunday Evening, the Choirs present, "The Holy City" at 5:30.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Olos Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Porter will share the responsibility of the Primary Workshop for the month of April.

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God is omnipotent, and man is mortal. Therefore be patient and wait. The end shall certainly be joy, not sorrow. The stone shall roll away and the life shall come forth.

—Phillips Brooks



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Dear Christian Friends:

A friend said to me this week, "I'm thrilled and proud to be a member of the First Christian Church. Sunday morning and Sunday evening were outstanding experiences for me!" I quite agree! The services were so very well attended! The Bible School is higher than it has been since November, 1959, according to Mr. Horn, our Sunday School financial secretary! And the evening congregation was the largest ever to come near a choir perform! A fitting tribute to the outstanding service our choir and organist renders on behalf of Christ and the Church.

A word of apology is owed to the hardest worker on the music team. I was so excited to get to Saturn to preach by 7:30 P.M. that in my haste I omitted a most deserved expression of gratitude to the one person who worked the hardest — the organist! Mrs. Scott worked for weeks rehearsing the solos, duets, quartets, choirs, etc. and then the fool of a preacher forgets to say, "Thanks." My face is still red, but my heart is right! We are indeed grateful for Mrs. Scott and her continual devotion to our church.

A word to the wise — last Easter the second worship service was so crowded we couldn't seat them even on chairs! Come early and get a seat! Let's make these two services the finest we have ever known! Let's stay for Bible School and reach that 500 mark! You can help us by coming and bringing others!

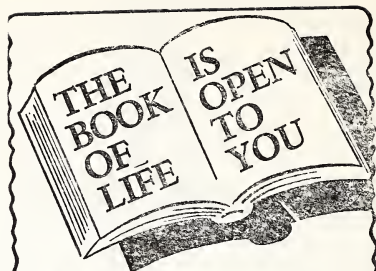
BETRAYED FOR "THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER"

Our Lord was betrayed for "thirty pieces of silver" . . . our "Thirty Pieces of Silver" offering for foreign missions is an offering of LOVE! Make it thirty silver dollars if you can . . . it will extend the gospel of love to a world dying of alienation from God, and sin. The entire Bible School offering and the "THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER" will all go to support FOREIGN MISSIONS! I'm praying that this will be the largest MISSIONARY offering ever taken in this church! WILL YOU ALSO PRAY TOGETHER WITH US FOR THAT GOAL? We must, and we will exceed the \$1,000 mark. CHRIST WILLS IT! WE WHO PROCLAIM OUR FAITH IN AN ETERNAL CHRIST AND ETERNAL LIFE CAN DO NO LESS!

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 10, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies and Toddlers	9	.65
Nursery Department	25	2.43
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	25	3.13
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Primary Department	43	4.57
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	47	6.79
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	30	2.96
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	25	4.51
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
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J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
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Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	30	12.183
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	44	23.66
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
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Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	21	4.95
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	7.90
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
Totals	401	\$121.87



The Life Abundant is yours for the asking through the study of God's Word in Sunday School

THIS IS YOUR INVITATION

COME SUNDAY

Bring a Friend

AS IT BEGAN TO DAWN

A sound, a sigh; a whip of rushing air.
A dazzling sky wheeled back, rolled
down: below
Thunders withdrawn behind the lightning
glare
Rattle Death's kettledrums with rumbling
woe.
Dawn cracks: Heaven crumbles. In a
swift travail
Earth heaves vast-mountained shoulders
draws new breath.
The stars wheel glittering from the track
less trail
To thrust their pointed fires at dying
Death.
The tomb, still-shaken, works in pained
night,
Shatters with a brazen trumpet sigh,
As from the East the glad ecstatic light
Showers Creation with a burning cry:
He lives! From Death's long uncontested
place
The Son of God comes forth in regal grace

—George E. Hoffman

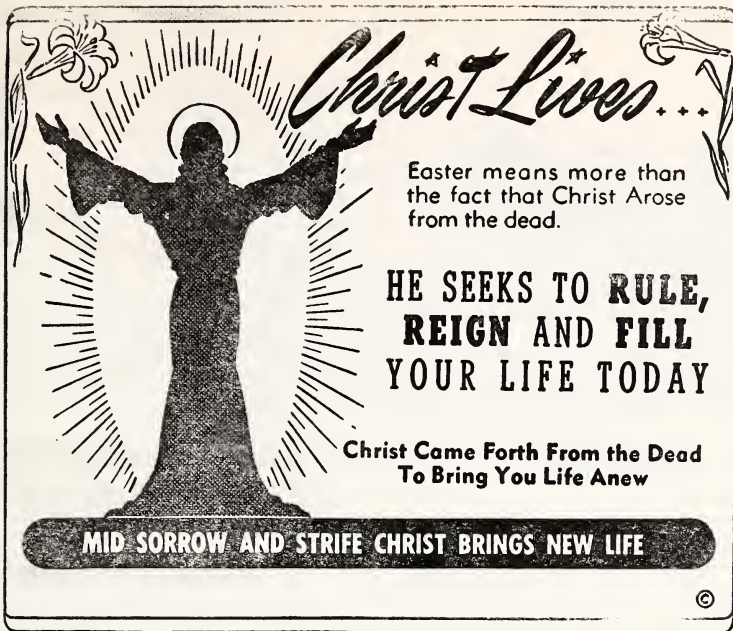
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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Emily Lowman, mother of Mr. Robert Clipp, fell last week and broke her hip. She is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 558.

Mrs. Alfred O. Schell is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 139.

Mrs. Milo Miller has been ill at home 2133 1/2 Lafayette St.



Christ Lives...

Easter means more than
the fact that Christ Arose
from the dead.

**HE SEEKS TO RULE,
REIGN AND FILL
YOUR LIFE TODAY**

Christ Came Forth From the Dead
To Bring You Life Anew

MID SORROW AND STRIFE CHRIST BRINGS NEW LIFE

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EASTER LILIES

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers last Sunday were given by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morrical, honoring Ann's birthday.

The Chancel flowers for Easter are given by Mrs. John McFarland, Sharon, Janet and Peggy, in loving memory of husband and father, John McFarland.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

The CWF Executive will meet in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M. Tuesday evening, April 19th. The General meeting will follow at 8:00 o'clock in the Church Parlor. Worship and program will be presented by members of the Fellowship Guild.

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Church School Offering	121.87
30 Pieces of Silver (Easter)	41.35

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God made both tears and laughter, and both for kind purposes; for as laughter enables mirth and surprise to breathe freely, so tears enable sorrow to vent itself patiently. Tears hinder sorrow from becoming despair and madness; and laughter is one of the very privileges of reason, being confined to the human species.
Leigh Hunt

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SMORGASBORD

The Christian Men's Fellowship with the help of the Christian Woman's Fellowship will hold a smorgasbord on Friday, April 29, at the Church. You will be hearing more about this. Keep the date open. Tickets will be available this week. Contact any member of C.M.F. for your ticket.



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Glorious! No other word would so aptly describe our Easter Sunday at First Christian Church! There were nearly 800 people in the services, and 460 in Bible School, and the offering for Christian Missions will exceed \$1,300!! This is a great offering for a truly great cause — the spreading of Christ's light and love to a world that so desperately needs His saving ministry. Sunday's offering for Missions was THE LARGEST EVER RECEIVED BY THIS CHURCH ON ONE DAY FOR WORLD MISSIONS! Well done, and God bless every one of you who made this great display of Christian faith possible!

The choir and the girls' sextet and Bob's solo were tremendous! Someone said we ought to have Easter singing and preaching about four or five times annually! I certainly agree.

This coming Sunday afternoon at 4:30 P.M. we will begin a new study program all who are interested in developing new techniques for presenting God's truths to members of our Sunday School classes, and also a study program to learn more about the DISCIPLES OF CHRIST (CHRISTIAN CHURCH). Mr. Hogg will teach the teachers training program, and the Minister will teach the course on the Disciples of Christ. The program schedule will be as follows:

4:30-5:15 First Class session (Half of the class in each of the two courses).
15 min. Break

5:30-6:15 Second Class Section (Classes switch courses, thus each person will attend both of the classes each evening.)

Why are you a member of the Disciples of Christ? Do you know the history of the church and growth of our religious Body? Do you know how we are distinct from other religious communions? Why do we do things differently than our religious neighbors? WE WILL STUDY SOME OF THESE THINGS THIS COMING SUNDAY NIGHT.

Sunday's Sermon: "WHEN JESUS ATTENDED A SUMMIT MEETING"

SMORGASBORD

The Christian Men's Fellowship are sponsoring a Smorgasbord, assisted by the Christian Women's Fellowship on Friday evening, April 29 from 5:15 to 7 P.M. Tickets \$1.50 per person; children under 12 years, 75c; those under 6 years, no charge. Contact any member of the CMF for your ticket.

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RUMMAGE SALE — 2028 So. Hanna

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. W. C. Glass is a patient at Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Melvin McNamee is in Parkview Hospital, Room 421.

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HEARTFELT SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Harold Pritchard in the recent loss of her dear husband, Mr. Harold Pritchard. Mr. Pritchard was a loyal member of the Church for many years. He was a member of the Official Board and served his church faithfully as Deacon, always generous in his support. He will be greatly missed from his accustomed place.

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There are 135 passages in the New Testament where life is referred to, and only seven of these is the reference to mere physical life. Life is an endowment in the body, but the reality of life is a thing of the mind, the heart, the will and the activities of the whole man. It becomes clear that life can only, therefore, be completely fulfilled and enjoyed in the spiritual capacities of character and service.

—J. H. C. Macaulay

SUMMARY — EASTER GOALS

Class	Sug. Goals		Goals Reached	
	Att.	Offer.	Att.	Off.
Men's Class	15	\$100.00	11	\$ 77
Ladies' Class	10	20.00	6	20
Friendly Class	25	40.00	23	30
Progressive Class	50	100.00	42	102
Berean Class	40	100.00	28	100
Come-Double	65	150.00	64	68
'58 Class	50	50.00	41	76
High School Dept.	40	40.00	25	40
Junior High	30	15.00	26	7
Junior Dept.	50	25.00	63	25
Primary Dept.	50	10.00	51	11
Kindergarten	30	5.00	29	8
Nursery	30	4.00	33	9
Babies & Toddlers	15	2.00	14	1

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A retired business executive was once asked the secret of his success. He replied that it could be summed up in three words: "And then some." "I discovered at an early age," he said, "that most of the differences between average people and top people could be explained in three words. The top people did what was expected of them — and then some. They were thoughtful of others, they were considerate and kind — and then some. They met their obligations and responsibilities fairly and squarely — and then some. They were good friends to their friends, and then some. They could be counted on in an emergency — and then some." And so it is when we put our trust in God's goodness: He returns our love — and then some.

—Carl Holmes



**YOU'RE
MISSING
SOMETHING
MIGHTY
FINE**

When You Are Absent from
SUNDAY SCHOOL

Those who have not started regular attendance are especially invited to come Sunday.

YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU ATTENDED

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CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 17, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	14	1.06
Nursery Department	33	9.62
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	29	8.31
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	51	11.98
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	63	25.50
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Senior High Department	26	7.04
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	25	40.15
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
"58" Class	41	76.30
E. Weicker		
Carl Smith		
Home-Double Class	64	68.80
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Teen Class	28	100.75
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	42	102.50
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Adult Class	23	30.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	6	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	77.75
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
Totals	460	\$580.76

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

April 24, 1960

ELDERS: Dr. A. C. Worley —
William Caldwell

DEACONS FOR APRIL:

Captain — Ralph E. Church, H-78155
Paul D. Truby
LeRoy Timbrook
Edwin R. Hall
James H. Naile
William E. Franklin
Berton Purdy
William P. Vunora
W. H. Imbody
James P. Heavin
Rufus Quinn
Earl A. Plummer

DEACONESS FOR APRIL — Mrs. Paul Yentes

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN FOR APRIL —
Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber

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—Victor Hugo

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Rehearsal.

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Choir Rehearsal.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

April 17, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	775
Church School Attendance	460
Regular Church Offering	1306.68
Building Fund Offering	295.25
Church School Offering	580.76
30 Pieces of Silver (Easter)	609.70

Total Offerings\$2792.39



Your Church is YOU

**Sanctified by God's Presence,
Your Church Represents the
Cumulative Effort of its
members.**

**If Every Member Were Just
Like You, Would God be
Proud of the Result?**

**GOD NEEDS YOU
YOU NEED GOD**

**BE READY TO SERVE
WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED**

One production curve that continues rise sharply is sleeping pills production. The American people were credited with washing down 7-million per night less than five years back. Only two years ago the per-night consumption had risen 13-million; now it is rated at 22-million pills between shutting down the television sets and the alarm clock hour the next morning. Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, the noted New York clergyman who uses these statistics in a recent speech, added "Now it is a sad state of affairs. You would think if a man did not know how to do anything else, he would at least know how to sleep. But I can bear witness to the fact, for I have had plenty of opportunity to demonstrate, that the American people nowadays are positively so tense that it is almost impossible to put them to sleep with a sermon." History may classify this as the age of tension. The search for sleep through pills is followed by days of pills for headaches, since the consumption of aspirin last year exceeded 12-million pounds. In Hollywood, the man with only one ulcer is classed as a third-rate executive. In New York, the family without a psychiatrist rates low socially. What is disheartening is the prospect that the pills, instead of overcoming insomnia and headaches, are a part of the turmoil that aggravates the situation.



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

June 18

Fort Wayne, Indiana, April 28, 1960

Number 31

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Springtime is planting time. It is a beautiful and inspiring sight to see nature all about us springing forth into new life. The trees are thrusting their budded limbs upward to take from the universe all the life giving properties that surround it. Nature cannot refuse to take from the earth and air this new life, it must respond to the call of life. What is true of nature, must also become true of the life of man. When springtime of the spirit arrives we must plant well so that at harvest time there will be fruit unto life everlasting.

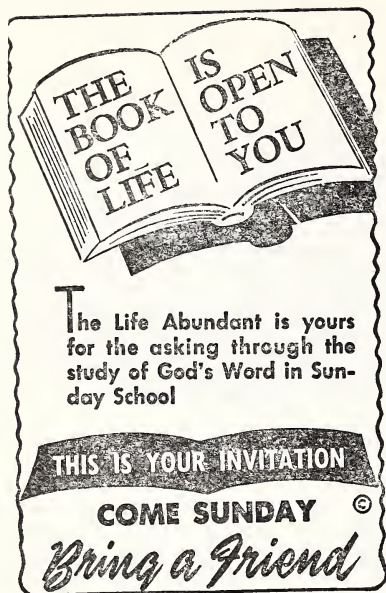
My sermon theme for Sunday will be: "REFLECTIONS ON A BED OF WEEDS." Are there fields of weeds? Whose fault is it that weeds are permitted to grow where fruit and flowers might dwell?

The Sunday evening Bible Study got off to a mediocre start Sunday evening. There ought to be several times as many people interested in a six weeks course on the principles of Christ, and the Techniques of Teaching a Bible School Class. Mr. Hogg, the minister will be prepared to teach the courses again this coming Sunday evening at 4:30 P.M. We hope many of you will come and study the origins of our Fellowship.

DO NOT FORGET THE SMORGASBORD THIS COMING FRIDAY EVENING FROM 6:00 - 7:00 P.M. Your participation is needed to make this a great success. The most common heard remark concerning this type of dinner is, "Oh, I just love a Smorgasbord!" Are you sure you will love this one! Our ladies are the world's finest cooks — aren't they? And ladies, our men are some of the world's heartiest eaters! What a combination! See you there!

Just a few more weeks and the summer vacation period for our children and youth will begin. Let's keep the Bible School attendance high right through the spring and summer. Let's push our Worship Attendance to a new high. We will, if you help, I know we can count on our great congregation.

Remember: MAY 28, Dr. T. W. Nakarai, world-renowned Biblical Scholar will address our Breakfast meeting. He will discuss the importance and relevance of the Dead Sea Scrolls. You will not want to miss this important visitor to our Fellowship. Here is one of the true scholars in the field of the Old Testament.



FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. M. G. Heller, 3224 S. Broadway on Friday evening, May 6 at 8 P.M.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thomas will sponsor the Primary Workshop during the month of May.

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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Christian stewardship is something more than a habit, an attitude, a technique or a phase of religious experience. These things are all involved. Christian stewardship is really a philosophy, a way of life resulting from a commitment to a great end, the accomplishment of the will of God on earth. It is an inner conviction expressed in outer relationships. It has been defined as the Christian philosophy with reference to possessions and things Stewardship also implies the idea of commitment and action. It is not an intellectual conception alone. It is motivation as well. It involves dedication and sacrifice.

—Herman C. Weber

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April 24, 1960

	Att.	C
Babies & Toddlers	11	
Nursery Department	27	3
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	24	3
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	44	5
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	42	6
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	28	3
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	17	2
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	35	16
J. E. Welcker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	44	28
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Acron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	22	9
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	26	13
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	15	4
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	13	5
Harry Harman		
Officers	2	
Totals	354	\$103

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

May 1, 1960

DERS: David Hogg — William Love
ACONS FOR MAY —
Captain — Harry Harman H-60254
L. M. Culbertson
F. Marion Coburn
Gordon E. Welker
Paul E. Yentes
Cliff K. Travis
Garland Morroff
Whitney Thompson
Laurence Coleman
Solon E. Merriman
Cecil Beck
ACONESSES FOR MAY —
Mrs. Edwin Hall
OSPITALITY FOR MAY —
Mrs. George Bruckman

SMORGASBORD

The Christian Men's Fellowship are sponsoring a Smorgasbord, assisted by the Christian Women's Fellowship on Friday evening, April 29 from 5:15 to 7 P.M. Tickets \$1.50 per person; children under 12 years, 75c; those under 6 years, no charge. Contact any member of the CMF for your ticket.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Men's Fellowship District Meeting will be held at this Church on Monday evening, May 9. Dinner will be served 6 P.M. Price \$1.00. Reservations should be in by May 6. J. Carl Smith, President, CMF, Host Church.

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Hilda Simon is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 130.
Mr. Melvin McNamee underwent surgery last Friday at Parkview Hospital.
Mrs. W. C. Glass is improving.
Mr. John Hechler injured his hand last week and was in hospital overnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Powers wishes to take as means of thanking their many friends the church who have visited Mrs. Powers in the hospital, sent cards and shown them so many kindnesses.

Mrs. Margaret Knipstein, Mr. and Mrs. Powers' daughter, will enter Lutheran Hospital for surgery on Wednesday.

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WHEN TO SEND FOR A PASTOR

1. When a loved one is seriously ill and facing death.
2. When a friend or relative continues to be despondent following the death of a loved one.
3. When you are facing a surgical operation.
4. When you are facing adjustment to a physical handicap.
5. When you are going through a long convalescence.
6. Following the birth of a baby.
7. When you desire to join the church.
8. When you have begun to worry about excessive drinking.
9. When a loved one is drinking excessively.
10. When you have a difficulty in your marriage.
11. When you are choosing a life work and feel uncertain about your choice.
12. When you are choosing a life-mate and have doubts about your choice.
13. When as a parent you are concerned about either of the above decisions for your son or daughter.
14. When you are discouraged and life has lost its meaning.
15. When a loved one has become despondent for no obvious reason.
16. When the behaviour of a loved one shows marked and rapid change, whether it is toward excessive misbehaviour or excessive interest in religion both are indications of serious personality disturbance.

WHAT THE PASTOR WILL DO WHEN CALLED

1. He will listen to your story with understanding.
2. He will help you discover an answer.
3. He will assist you to accept a situation and regain your morale.
4. He will help you to remember your basic convictions that you have forgotten under the impact of your suffering.
5. He will lift up your desires, disappointments and hopes to God through prayer.
6. He will keep your story in strictest confidence.
7. He will refer you to other specialists if he believes that you need further help. He will not lecture you nor be judgmental of you.

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—From Religion & Health, Aug. 1856

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Regular Church Offering	637.95
Building Fund Offering	110.17
Church School Offering	103.70
30 Pieces of Silver (Easter)	89.75

Total Offerings\$941.57

VISITATION BUILDS ATTENDANCE

When you visit, people respond . . . Your personal invitation gets results.

**CHRIST
DEPENDS
ON YOU**

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Ethel Richhart, 2714 Maumee Avenue Thursday evening, May 5, at 7:45 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Roy Beal, Program by Mrs. Robert Clipp.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Ben Taylor, 1616 Hollis Lane, Wednesday evening, May 4 at 8 o'clock.

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The Dye Circle are having a luncheon meeting on Wednesday, May 4, at 12:30 P.M. at the Church. Guests are invited — Luncheon \$1.00. Program: a story told by Mrs. H. G. Helmuth.

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The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Neil Allen, 4631 Thornley Drive, Tuesday afternoon, May 3, at 1:00 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich, Program by Mrs. A. N. Shockney.

Any one needing transportation please call Mrs. Ogles, K-4809.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Just a reminder to the men of the Church that Monday evening at 6 p.m. the District Men's Meeting will be held in our Fellowship Hall. It will be a dinner meeting and William Martin Smith of Indianapolis will be the guest speaker.

At the last district meeting held at Auburn we had 15 men present. We must at least double that number since we are hosts to the rest of the district. At the last meeting I had a speech that lasted around an hour, or was it much more? Well Mr. Smith doesn't need an hour to inspire the men of the Church. Here is one of the truly dynamic men of the Brotherhood that has something to say! And men, He can really say it! Let's buy our tickets by Sunday so the ladies will know how many men to prepare for . . . Remember the surprised at the Smorgasbord?

Saturday morning at 8 A.M. the Men's Prayer Breakfast, of which Max Finkhausen is president, will be held. A fine breakfast and program will be provided. Let's pray about those problems men, they'll get smaller, in size at least, as we go deeper into God's Spirit.

Sunday is Mother's Day. It is the day of the year we set aside to give the honor and feel on every day to the mothers who loved us. This coming Sunday morning I will preach on "THE LIFT OF LOVE." What amazing things happen when love enters relationships! What burdens roll away! What courage comes flooding in to our hearts! Mothers are the greatest teachers on the face of the earth — for good or for ill!

Let's bring mother to church, where possible. Let's all sit down and write our parents a note of gratitude for all the countless blessings which have come to us because they first loved us. I thank God for Christian parents. I thank God for their love and understanding. I cannot think of a world fit to live in that doesn't hold a mother's love and deepest reverence! Thank God for Motherhood!

"How to find the power to accomplish the desires of our hearts" — Mr. Hogg
 "Whence and whither the Disciples of Christ?" — The minister

All are invited to participate in these two courses offered this coming Sunday evening at 4:30 P.M.

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May 1, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	8	.85
Nursery Department	28	2.05
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	22	2.06
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	38	4.45
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	46	6.52
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
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Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	23	10.31
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	32	15.83
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	15	3.40
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	3.85
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
Totals	343	\$104.08

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF young people are putting on program, "A Night with Bob and Bill" plus Central's Top Twenty, on Thursday evening, May 19 at 8:00 P.M. in Fellowship Hall.

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YOUR PASTOR AND MINE

—If he is young, he lacks experience; his hair is gray, he is too old; if he has five or six children, he has too many; if he has none, he is setting a bad example.

—If his wife sings in the choir, she is being forward, if she does not, she is not interested in her husband's work.

If he speaks from notes, he has canned sermons and is dry; if he is extemporaneous, he is too deep.

—If he spends too much time in his study, he neglects his people; if he visits his people, he is a gadabout.

—If he is attentive to the poor, he is playing to the grandstand; if he is attentive to the wealthy, he is trying to be an aristocrat.

—If he suggests improvements for the church, he is a dictator; if he makes no suggestions, he is a figurehead.

—If he uses too many illustrations, he neglects the Bible; if not enough, he is not clear.

—If he preaches an hour, he is windy; if less he is lazy.

—If he condemns wrong, he is cranky; if he does not, he is a compromiser.

If he preaches the truth, he is offensive; if not, he is a hypocrite.

—If he fails to please everybody he is hurting the church! If he does please everybody, he has no convictions.

—If he preaches tithing, he is a money grabber; if he does not he is failing to develop his people.

—If he receives a large salary, he is mercenary; if a small salary, it proves he is not worth much.

—If he preaches all the time, the people get tired of hearing the man; if he invites guest preachers, he is shirking his responsibility.

Yes! they say the preacher has an easy time! —Indianola Messenger.

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Home—The place where we grumble the most, and are loved the best!

Home—a world of strife shut out, a world of love shut in.

The home worth living in is on where each lives for all, and all for God.



HONOR HER ON

MOTHER'S DAY

ATTEND CHURCH

Through sorrow, trial, e'en death and tears, Mother's love endures.

It cannot be tarnished or soiled with passing of the years.

But greater far than Mother's love and all that she has done,

Is God's redeeming, cleansing love—the blood of Christ, His Son.

Your Mother Will be Proud to Know You Attended Church to Honor Her



AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

May 8, 1960

MASTERS: Albert Powell — William Crouse

MAJESTY FOR MAY —

Captain — Harry Harman H-60254

L. M. Culbertson

F. Marion Coburn

Gordon E. Welker

Paul E. Yentes

Cliff K. Travis

Garland Morrolf

Whitney Thompson

Laurence Coleman

Solon E. Merriman

Cecil Beck

MAJESTIES FOR MAY —

Mrs. Edwin Hall

HOSPITALITY FOR MAY —

Mrs. George Bruckman

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

DISTRICT MEET

MONDAY, MAY 9, 6:00 P.M.

William Martin Smith, Guest Speaker

The CMF District Meet will be held in First Christian, Fort Wayne. Dinner will be served at 6 P.M. Price \$1.00. As we are the **HOST CHURCH** it is important that we have a fine group from this church.

J. Carl Smith, President, CMF.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thomas will sponsor the Primary Workshop during the month of May.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Byron Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Allen Robinson, 3425 Logan St., Wednesday, May 11, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Whitney Thompson.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Rayl, Tuesday evening, May 10 at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Wm. Bennett, Devotions, Mrs. Aaron Smith.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Ora Kuhlman, 4125 Warsaw St., Monday evening, May 9, at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Donald Smith, Devotions by Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull.

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MAY BREAKFAST

The Christian Women's Fellowship Annual May Breakfast will be held Tuesday morning, May 17, at 9:30 A.M. in Fellowship Hall.

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The 121st Indiana State Convention will be held at First Christian Church, South Bend, Indiana, May 15 to 18. The Christian Women's Fellowship Banquet is to be on Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M. in the First Methodist Church, South Bend. Tickets \$1.50; Reservations should be made by May 10th.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 1, 1960

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Regular Church Offering	963.74
Building Fund Offering	266.65
Church School Offering	104.08
30 Pieces of Silver (Easter)	3.00
Total Offerings	\$1337.47

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Cliff Travis is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 135.

Little Cynthia Bryan was a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

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STORK NEWS

Graydon Lyle came to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vanderwall on April 24th. Best wishes to parents and baby.

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IN SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Coburn in the recent loss of their little daughter Julie Ann.

Our sincere sorrow is expressed to Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Mote, in the recent passing away of Mr. Mote's mother, Mrs. Josephine Mote.

May God sustain and comfort these fine folk in their time of sorrow.

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NEW MEMBERS BULLETIN BOARD

Have you seen the new bulletin board which is used to post the photos of our new members. This project presents an interesting way for all to become acquainted with our new people as they come into the church. The Follow-up committee wishes to thank James Cain and Harold Crowder for their part in helping to build the bulletin board.

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WELCOME — NEW MEMBERS

The following are the names of our new members who became a part of our church family during the month of April:

Mr. & Mrs. Edward O. Wooldridge
Miss Sharon Wooldridge
Mr. Larry Wellman
Dr. and Mrs. Norman O. Long
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hilker
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McNamee
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hasler

The children who came in from the Pastor's Class are: Valerie Jean Brown, David Bussard, Susan Mowery, Jane Plummer, Juli Quinn, Tommy Rayl, Mar Smith, Karen Varner, Cynthia and Steve Yentes.

We sincerely welcome these fine people into our fellowship and wish them happiness in their new church home.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

MEN . . . LET'S TRY AGAIN! Some of us got mixed up on the Men's Prayer Breakfast and came this past Saturday morning only to find there was no breakfast and no program. Five of our men went on to Azars for breakfast. Fine breakfast, but the program wasn't too good!

This coming Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. we will resume our regular schedule of breakfasts. Some of the men are asking if there is enough interest to continue them on through the summer, or if they should end with our June meeting. If you have an opinion one way or the other, we hope you will see fit to be present this coming Saturday morning, and let us know.

Have you made arrangements to hear DR. T. W. NAKARAI? Here is one of the world's most humble men, yet one of its true scholars! We hope that if you have any questions relative to the Old Testament you will bring them along for the group to present to Dr. Nakarai. I think it would be well for us to have several questions we would like to hear him discuss. Bring the question that troubles you and Dr. Nakarai will have a Biblical answer — if anyone can give one! He is a Japanese Christian, won to our Lord by the missionaries of the Disciples of Christ. His family was only the 4th or 5th family in importance from the emperor's. This young war Lord was won to Christ by Christian missions. DON'T FAIL TO HEAR HIM! HIS IS A THRILLING LIFE AND WITNESS!

Sunday evening the study class will meet at 4:30. Mr. Hogg and the ministers have presented the history of the Disciples of Christ, and the methods of finding personal power in one's life and witness. The attendance has been disappointing, but Mr. Hogg has been bringing some inspiring messages.

Sunday's Sermon: "THE CHOICE BEFORE US".

YOUR LIFE

BELONGS TO GOD

- ★ Are you living it as God would have you live?
- ★ Are you honoring Him with your life every day?
- ★ Are you attending His church regularly?

GOD WANTS YOU TO LOVE-HONOR-SERVE HIM

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Whitney Thompson
Laurence Coleman
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Cecil Beck

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Mrs. Edwin Hall

HOSPITALITY FOR MAY —

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OUR PRAYER LIST

Mr. Scott Powers is a patient in Room 141, Lutheran Hospital.

Little Barbara Taylor is in Lutheran on West 4th.

Mr. Harold Henry has returned home, 3604½ So. Calhoun St., after several days in Parkview hospital.

STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers are the proud parents of a little son born the first week of May.

The human creature needs first of all to be educated, not that he may speak, but that he may have something to say.

—Thomas Carlyle

WHO SAID BAPTISM WAS ESSENTIAL

CHRIST DID in Mark 16:16: "He that believeth AND IS BAPTIZED shall be saved." Read also Matt. 28:19, John 3:5.

PETER DID in 1 Peter 3:21. "The figure, whereunto EVEN BAPTISM now also save us." Read also Acts and Acts 10:47-48.

PHILLIP DID in Acts 8:36-38. "See it is water, what doth hinder me to be BAPTIZED?" Read also Acts 8:12.

ANANIAS DID in Acts 22:16. "Arise, and be BAPTIZED, and wash away thy sins."

PAUL DID in Galatians 3:27. "For many of you as have been BAPTIZED TO CHRIST have put on Christ." Read Acts 16:14-15; Acts 17:32-33; Titus 3:5; Romans 4:5.

BAPTISM IS ONLY BY IMMERSION. Read Col. 2:12 and Romans 6:3-5.

HAVE YOU BEEN BAPTIZED THE RIGHT WAY? If not, why not. Do it today!

LET'S DO THINGS THE BIBLE WAY

ANNUAL MAY BREAKFAST

The annual May Breakfast is sponsored by the Christian Women's Fellowship, will be held on Tuesday morning, May 17 at 9:30 at the Church. All our women's friends are cordially invited to come. An interesting program including a guest speaker is being arranged. The Executive Committee is in charge of hospitality. Spice Circle will prepare the Breakfast. This is always an enjoyable occasion. plan to come.

If we paid no more attention to our plants than we have to our children, we would now be living in a jungle of weeds.
—Luther Burbank

The most influential of all educational factors is the conversation in a child's home.

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NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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When you are asked to help with this school, remember one person cannot carry this load alone, consider your answer prayerfully, and then say "yes". Do not wait to be sought out, but call Mrs. Morrical at H-75473 (evenings). Your help and co-operation will be greatly appreciated. Let us join in to help make this School (1960) one of our finest.

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

The Red Cross Blood Bank under the sponsorship of the men of our church will receive blood from those who wish to participate on May 25th in Fellowship Hall of the Church.

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BARBEE CHRISTIAN CAMP

SUMMER CONFERENCES FOR YOUTH

We are pleased to note that eighteen of our young people are planning to attend Chi Rho and C.Y.F. summer conference at Barbee this year. Those going are: Chi Rho—Mary Alice Truby, Dee Rice, Andy Montgomery, David Shockney, John Merrill, Warren Harman, Vincent Harman, Mary Crowder, Wanda Ripple, Sandra Salyards, Deborah Love, Shirley Naile, Susan Mowery. C. Y. F.—Erin Rose, Ellen Crowder, Beatrice Rice, Carolyn Ripple, David Johnston.

Others may wish to go, if so, please contact Mr. James Shockney as soon as possible.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF young people are putting on a program entitled, "A Night with Bob and Bill". Bob Cocherille and Bill Wetzel will entertain you plus, Central's Top Twenty, Thursday evening, May 19 at 8:00 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Admission 5c adults; CYF'ers, 50c; Juniors 35c. Children under six, no charge.

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CHOIR — PLEASE NOTE!

Due to the program on Thursday, May 19, there will be NO choir practice that evening.

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Primary Department	39	3.96
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	39	5.40
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	28	3.40
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	17	3.34
James Naile, Teacher Tom Ogles, Co-Pres. Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
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J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	41	16.70
Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney Aaron Smith Howard Howell Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	22	13.25
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	26	11.70
Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Truby Rufus Quinn Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	16	2.61
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

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Church School Attendance	330
Regular Church Offering	814.15
Building Fund Offering	180.87
Church School Offering	85.18

Total Offerings\$1080.20

BELLS RING OUT FOR PEACE

Mrs. Robert Scott, our organist, will play our Carillon bells next Saturday at 7 P.M. for a 15 minute period as a part of our Nation "prayer for peace with justice" effort, as President Eisenhower leaves for his summit meeting. Bells throughout the land will simultaneously, ring their message of peace to the world. When you hear the bells, hesitate a moment and ask God to bless and guide our President at this very important Summit meeting, and keep him in His care.

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WELCOME — NEW MEMBERS

Through some oversight the name of Miss Rebecca Huddleston was omitted from last week's list of new members uniting with the Church during April. Miss Huddleston is a student at Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin. We welcome her, sincerely, to our Church family.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers on May 1st were given by Mr. J. Z. Berlien in memory of his dear wife.

The flowers on May 8 were a gift from Mr. Robert Coar, given in memory of his mother, Mrs. J. R. Coar.

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S. O. S.

Mr. Melvin McNamee, one of our new members, has been in the hospital several weeks, and is in need of 8 pints of blood. Should there be those in the church who can give a pint of blood, please give it in the name of Mr. McNamee. The family will be deeply grateful for your help.

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If you wish success in life make Perseverance your bosom friend, Experience your wise teacher, Caution your elder brother, and Hope your guardian genius. —Joseph Addison

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REAL "PREPAREDNESS"

The old Scot lay dying and only his young daughter was by his bedside. He told her that he would be gone in a few minutes.

"Can't I bring you the prayerbook, father?"

"No, lassie, I don't need the prayerbook."

"Let me bring you the Bible, father."

"No, lassie, you need not bother to bring me the Bible."

"But, father," she said, "you are a good Christian, and you love the prayerbook and the Bible, and here you are dying and you will have none of them. Tell me why. Tell me why."

Then with his last breath, the old Scot joyously replied: "You do not understand my lassie. You see, I thatched my roof while the weather was calm." —S.J.P.



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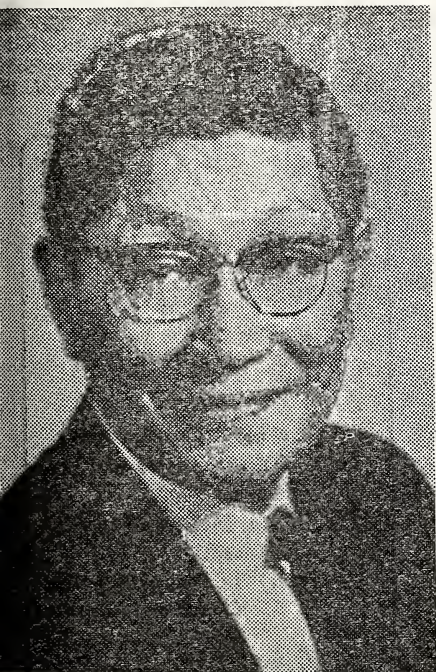
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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF are sponsoring the Breakfast Saturday, May 28 at 8 A.M. at which time Dr. T. W. Nakarai will speak. He will discuss facts regarding the "Dead Sea Scrolls". And there will be a question and answer period. "Bring the question that troubles you" . . .

Dr. Nakarai received his A.B. from Kokugakuin University, Tokyo; A.B. and M.A. Butler University; Ph.D. University of Michigan; Post-doctorate Studies, University of Michigan, University of Chicago, Union Theological Seminary, Hebrew Union College, Linguistic Institute of America, New York University.

He is a lecturer of note and an author. He has written a number of books; among them: "Japanese Conversation," "A Study of the Kokinshu", "Biblical Hebrew." He was a member of Governor's Lincoln Sesquicentennial Commission to the Orient in 1959.

The ladies are cordially invited to join the men at breakfast and then hear Dr. Nakarai.

DON'T FAIL TO HEAR HIM!

CHURCH SCHOOL I

The Christian Education Committee wishes to announce that Bible School begins at 9:15 and closes at 10:15 A.M., leaving a period of 15 minutes to enable parents to call for their children who will be detained in their Classroom until one of the parents come for them. Everyone is urged to be in Class on time.

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STORK NEWS

The little one who came to live with the Robert Rogers' May 5th, is Karen Sue.

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S.O.S. BARBEE CAMP

A call comes from Mr. Whiteneck, Manager of Barbee Christian Camp, asking men and women from this church to assist in the making ready of the Camp for Summer Conferences.

It is suggested that a day be set and several go to help in this work. Take a sack lunch or a picnic dinner and have fun as you clean. It is a good cause — making everything ship-shape for our youth.

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Among the wise men of India there is legend that "when God was equipping man for his life-journey of exploration and experience, the attending angel was about to add the 'gift of contentment' and complete satisfaction. The infinite mind stayed his hand, "No", said he, "if you give him that power you will rob him forever of the joy of self-discovery." You must deal with yourself. Find and use the resources and powers within you.

—Copied

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The only thing more expensive than education is ignorance.

Benjamin Franklin

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IN SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Williams in the recent loss of his mother, Mrs. Mary Williams. Mrs. Williams made her home in Elkhart and was a member of the Central Christian Church there.



Tested
**BY THEIR
FRUITS**

"By their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. 8:20

The Fruits

Of a Loyal Christian Are
LOVE of God's people and His Church.

SERVICE to Christ and to His Church.

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To Christ

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—Dr. Alfred Adler

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What the world has been waiting for through the centuries is a sample Christian nation. America has the best chance of being that sample. Consequently every movement which expresses Christian ideals in American life makes easier the task of the missionary abroad. On the other hand, any custom that is unjust makes more difficult the foreign worker's task.

—Edward Laird Mills

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Church School Offering	83.99

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"ALWAYS ASKING FOR MONEY!"

"After nearly thirty years in the ministry, I want to speak a plain word about the oft-repeated but thoughtless remark: 'The church is always asking for money.' It just is not so! It is a defense statement used by stingy people who are holding on to their pocketbooks, or ignorant people who have not learned the ABCs of life. For the fact is that we have nothing that was gained and not given. We are accountable to Almighty God for all our possessions.

"I know this is about as diplomatic as Roscoe's remark when he turned to his wife in a crowded room and said, 'Do you mind coming over here and settling an argument, dear? These people won't believe you are as old as you are.' But it is true when a man says that the church is always asking for money, he is not telling you anything about the church, he is telling on himself.

"I have known several thousand church people, and I am here to say that the ones who love the Lord support His church, grudgingly, but with gratitude and good cheer. I have never heard one generous soul express regret for his generosity. I say he was sorry for any contribution made to the church. The experience of generosity corroborates all that the New Testament says about it. When we express pity for the great sacrifices, they laugh in our faces. They feel sorry for us.

So, if I sometimes seem to be asking for your money, it is because I am trying to do you a favor, since 'it is more blessed to give than to receive,' as the Lord says, and I know very well if I don't find the way to your pocketbook, the devil will. Do I hear someone say, 'Amen?' That's fine, for Amen means 'Yea, Lord, it must be so, and I will stand my share of the expense.' —John Paul Pack,

University Christian Church
Seattle, Washington

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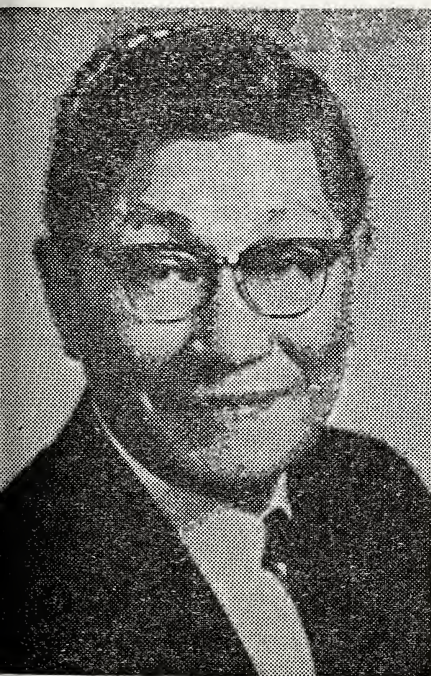
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We hope that you will prepare your questions concerning the Old Testament and bring them for his serious consideration.

Men and women, and young people are urged to attend this breakfast. The price is \$1.00 and well worth it!

Children's Day will be the 12th of June. On this day there will be held the service of the Blessing of the Babies. All parents who desire to participate in this service are urged to get in touch with the church office.

Sunday's sermon title: "WHITHER HAS
FLED THE VISIONARY GLEAM"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

May 29, 1960

ELDERS: Charles Billiard — Wm. Caldwell

DEACONS FOR MAY

Captain — Harry Harman H-60254

L. M. Culbertson

F. Marion Coburn

Gordon E. Welker

Paul E. Yentes

Cliff K. Travis

Garland Morroll

Whitney Thompson

Laurence Coleman

Solon E. Merriman

Cecil Beck

DEACONESS FOR MAY —

Mrs. Edwin Hall

HOSPITALITY FOR MAY —

Mrs. George Bruckman

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WEEK DAY VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

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Volunteers are needed to help with the transportation during Vacation Bible School. More children, teachers and helpers are available if transportation can be provided.

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Wisdom is knowing what to do; skill is knowing how to do it; virtue is in doing it well.

MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mr. Rolland Ripple, 3405 Central Drive, Wednesday, June 1st, at 1:30 P.M. The program will consist of a playlet entitled "Africa". Mrs. Paul Truby will give the devotions.

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The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Eugene Tassler, 3920 Winter St., Wednesday, June 1st, at 9:00 A.M. Mrs. A. Robinson is in charge of program, Worship by Mrs. Arthur Mowery.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Ernest Kattas, 120 W. Belmont, Thursday evening, June 2 at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Roy Beal, Worship by Mrs. Chlo Fuchshuber.

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Nobody grows old merely living a number of years. People grow old by deserting their ideals. Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up interest wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair — these are the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

—General Douglas McArthur

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The Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost:

In a sound, to awaken them;

In a wind, to move them;

In a fire, to enlighten and warm them

In tongues, to make them speak.

On the Day of Pentecost the coming of the Spirit upon a company of waiting disciples changed them from an aggregation of units into one corporate whole, the Church, the living God.

—G. Campbell Morgan

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Two men were gazing at Niagara Falls. One remarked: "The greatest unused power in the world."

The other replied: "Not so, the greatest unused power in the world is the Holy Spirit of the living God."

—W. A. Stewart

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If we paid no more attention to our plants than we have to our children, we would now be living in a jungle of weeds.

—Luther Burbank

The most influential of all educational factors is the conversation in a child's home.

—William Temple

CHANCEL FLOWERS

May 22 — The Chancel flowers were given by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weicker in memory of Mrs. Weicker's brother.

May 29 — The Chancel flowers given on Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weicker in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Ronald Elliott is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 460.

Mrs. W. C. Glass is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 597.

Mr. Cecil A. Kinzie is in the hospital at Chester, Minn., 110 9th Ave. N.W.

Mr. Elmer Darwacher has been, and is, a patient in Veteran's Hospital, Room 777.

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SERVICE FOR BLESSING THE BABIES

June 12th is Children's Day in the church! What better time would there be for the blessing of our babies and the dedication of their parents.

This Service of Blessing will be held at the Morning Worship Hour. If you wish to be participants in this Service please notify the Church Office, H-6222.

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Among the wise men of India there is legend that "when God was equipping man for his life-journey of exploration and experience, the attending angel was about to add the gift of contentment and complete satisfaction. The infinite mind stayed his hand, "No", said he, "if you give him that power you will rob him forever of the joy of self-discovery." You must deal with yourself. Find and use the resources and powers within you. —Copied

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

May 22, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	.85
Nursery Department	28	2.27
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	22	2.24
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	44	3.34
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	39	5.10
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	28	4.80
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	21	3.82
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	21	17.52
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	38	23.25
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	21	10.25
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	33	18.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	22	6.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	16	7.50
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
Totals	354	\$106.19



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HELPS YOU BUILD A LIFE

For God

The blessings that come from God are the true rewards to the tither.

"see that ye abound in this grace..." 2 Cor. 8:7

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SUNDAY, MAY 29

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.

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ship Services and Church School, for
Children: Infants and children through
5 Years.)

7:30 P.M. Thursdays — Sanctuary Choir
Rehearsal.

4:15 P.M. Thursday Afternoon — Junior
Choir Rehearsal.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 22, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	369
Church School Attendance	354
Regular Church Offering	788.21
Building Fund Offering	193.10
Church School Offering	106.19

Total Offerings\$1087.50

CHURCH SCHOOL I

The Christian Education Commi-
wishes to announce that Bible School
gins at 9:15 and closes at 10:15 A
leaving a period of 15 minutes to en
parents to call for their children who
be detained in their Classroom until
of the parents come for them. Every
is urged to be in Class on time.

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S.O.S. BARBEE CAMP

A call comes from Mr. Whiteneck, M
ager of Barbree Christian Camp, ask
men and women from this church to as
in the making ready of the Camp
Summer Conferences.

It is suggested that a day be set
several go to help in this work. Tak
sack lunch or a picnic dinner and h
fun as you clean. It is a good cause
making everything ship-shape for
youth.

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WON'T BUDGE

Too bad! The man who never make
pledge —

1. Cannot have a telephone in his ho
unless he makes a PLEDGE agreeing
pay for it.

2. Cannot have gas in his house un
he makes a PLEDGE to pay for that.

3. Cannot have water turned on u
he signs a PLEDGE.

4. Cannot cash a check until he si
on the back which is a PLEDGE that
will see that it is paid.

5. Cannot be married, for in that
makes a PLEDGE.

6. Cannot own property for he has
sign a PLEDGE to pay taxes.

7. Cannot be a citizen of the Un
States until he makes a PLEDGE to s
port the government.

SURE, everyone makes PLEDGES.

—Copies

**SUNDAY
IS**

THE LORD'S DAY

*A Day
of Worship*

On vacation or at home,
do not neglect church
attendance.

GOD EXPECTS YOU



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 18 Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 2, 1960 Number 36

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Just a note to remind you that once again the SUMMER SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES will begin the first Sunday in June. Therefore, this coming Sunday the Bible School will begin at 9:00 A.M. and Morning Worship at 10:00 A.M.

Make every effort to be present in the worship service this coming Sunday. Why? Tell for the following reasons:

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PENTECOST

MORE IMPORTANT THAN MOTHER'S DAY is the Day of Pentecost. If it were not for the ideals which have been preserved throughout the centuries by the ministry of the church, there would be no glory in motherhood. The beasts of the field bring forth their young, just as human mothers do. Motherhood is sanctified only when the mother portrays in her life the virtue of Godliness, believes firmly in the teachings of the church and rears her children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

MORE IMPORTANT THAN CHRISTMAS is the Day of Pentecost. Christmas is our day of celebration of the birthday of the world's Redeemer. How empty would be that observance if it were not for the church which has proclaimed the Redeemer's Message to humanity through these nineteen hundred years of Christian history. The anthem which the angels and the stars sang together on the night of Christ's nativity would have been forgotten long ago, were it not for the fact that the church has kept the strains of the anthem ringing from generation to generation.

MORE IMPORTANT THAN EASTER is the Day of Pentecost. Christ's resurrection from the dead is the dynamic reality of the Christian faith. That reality itself would have died with the first disciples, however, if they had not gone out after Pentecost to preach the Gospel of the resurrection to all the nations of the earth. Millions of disciples have followed in their footsteps, but it is Christ's divinely instituted church which has inspired them and inspires us with its proclamation of the reality of the risen Christ and the assurance of immortality to us who are His followers.

It is good that we of the church of the twentieth century should remember with beautiful observance these meaningful days, but it is tragic that we should then forget the Day of Pentecost—the birthday of the church of our Lord, the church which has perpetuated those facts which give to these other days their significance. In our services next Lord's Day **WE SHALL REMEMBER THE BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH.** Won't you join us in that remembrance?

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

May 29, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	8	
Nursery Department	21	2.09
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	1.49
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	38	3.59
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	35	4.05
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	23	4.45
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	12	3.42
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	12	5.80
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	24	13.00
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	20	10.20
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	19	9.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	15	3.60
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	4.25
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
Totals	266	\$66.20

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HANDICRAFT BIBLE STORIES RECREATION

In

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A Happy Time For ALL

"I DON'T WANT GOD'S MONEY
IN MY POCKET WHEN I GO"

He was a nondescript individual — who would have gone unnoticed anywhere. Meek and humble, he came to Lord's day to the church, as he said, pay his respects to the Lord.

The church members paid little attention to him as he quietly came and went his way each week. If any gave him passing thought, it was perhaps tinged with pity at his humble circumstance. Certainly no one wondered when offering plate always passed him by. It was not expected, no doubt they thought of one so poor to give. Yet each morning on pay day, he came to the church with the tithe of the modest salary which he made from his lowly position.

One day, one of the church secretaries said, "Why do you make this special offering each month? Why don't you wait and bring your tithe on Sunday?"

The man slowly replied, "I can't do that. As soon as I get paid I must bring my money to the church. You see I have a bad heart. The doctors tell me that I must go at any time. So I want to be sure that my tithe is in the church. I don't want God's money in my pocket when I go."

"For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out."

—I Timothy 6:7.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

June 5th, 1960

DEERS:

David Griggs — James Shockney

EACONS: For June —

Captain — Jack Sweeney, K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack B. Brickley

Howard J. Howell

Earl T. Fusselman

Romane H. Cole

Omer Guingrich

John F. Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

Elmer Darwachter

William E. Bennett

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Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

Beginning Sunday, June 5, we will begin Bible School at 9:00 A.M. and Morning Worship at 10:00 A.M. We will return to our regular hours of service on September

**SUMMER for
the SAVIOR**

In Every Season
Christ Expects His
People to Continue
Faithful

**MAKE THIS SUMMER
COUNT FOR CHRIST**

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—G. Campbell Morgan

NOTES I

Sunday, June 12, is Children's Day. Also, A Service for Blessing the Babies and dedication of parents will be on June 12 during the Morning Worship Service. Please notify the Church office if you plan to participate in this Service.

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The Fort Wayne Commandary, Number 4, Knights Templar, will be the guests of our Church next Sunday morning. They will be seated in a group in the Sanctuary. Let us welcome these men and their wives by our presence at Worship.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Cecil Kinzie is a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 323.

Steven Banet was in St. Joseph's Hospital after having suffered injury from an automobile accident.

Mr. Richard Taylor is a patient in Room 366, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Curtis Harts is in 410, Lutheran Hospital.

Arthur Richardson is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

It is with sorrow we announce the passing away of Scott Powers last Monday, May 30. Mr. Powers was a loyal and devoted member of the Church and we shall miss him from among our number. Our sincere sympathy is expressed to his wife and family, in their hour of sorrow.

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"With one accord in one place." This unity had much to do with the gift of the Holy Spirit. "To separate ourselves from our brethren is to lose power. Half-dead brands heaped close will kindle one another. Fling them apart and they go out. Pull them together and they glow."

A - Maclaren.

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The fires of the Holy Spirit consume "the rags of self-righteousness, the leaves of an empty profession, the stubble of questioning doubt, the thorns of prickly temper, the filth of unholy desire, the chaff of useless endeavor, the roots of black bitterness, the straw of pretentious unreality, and the refuse of unprofitable talk."

—F. E. Marsh

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 29, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	303
Church School Attendance	266
Regular Church Offering	591.37
Building Fund Offering	146.30
Church School Offering	66.20

Total Offerings\$803.87

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The McGavran Circle will meet with
Mrs. Hugh Rice, 5827 Fernwood Drive,
a Carry-in dinner, Tuesday, June 7,
2:30 P.M. Members are reminded to bring
their "money sock". Anyone needing
transportation please call Mrs. Rol-
Ogles, K-4809.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with
L. H. Higgins, 213 W. Fleming, Tuesday
June 14th, at 1:00 P.M.

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CHOIRS PLEASE NOTE!

The Junior Choir will have their first
practice on Thursday, June 2.

The Sanctuary Choir will rehearse from
7 to 8 P.M. Thursdays, during June.

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Sunday, June 5 is Recognition Sunday
for the High School graduates. There will
be a Breakfast at 8 A.M. at the Air-
Restaurant. Rev. Wascovich will bring
the message. The group will be seen
together during Morning Worship.

Those of our youth who are graduates
are: Allan Flowers, Carol Purdy, Lois
Swift, Susan Van Fossen, Judith F.
Michael Young, Robert Young, Mars
Smith. There may be others. If so, please
call the office and we shall list your names
next week.

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The Youth of CYF are having a "C-
WASH" all day Saturday, June 4,
Sunoco Service Station, Pettit and Calhoun
\$1.00 per car. Your support of this project
will be appreciated.

"NOT FORSAKING
the Assembling of
Ourselves Together"

Heb. 10:25.

Your love for Christ is
shown by your loyalty to
His church, your regular
attendance at all services.

CHRIST INVITES YOU

LOVE DEMANDS YOUR PRESENCE



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

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Volume 18

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Number 37

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Just a word is in order as we enter into the summer months. Often as the call of the open road comes to us, and we head for the lakes and mountains, the work of the church is left behind. This great church has not, and I know never will, forgotten the work of God just because it was summer time. I just wanted to let you know that as my wife and I prepare to go to the World Convention of the Christian Churches in Scotland, I go with the peace of mind that comes from knowing that this great congregation will once more keep up their commitments to the work of God through the budget of the First Christian Church. We are having several thousand dollars worth of work done around the church this summer, such as painting the exterior of the building, and your continued support in the summer months is appreciated. Bless you for your support of our Church's program!

THE ANNUAL FOREIGN MISSIONS SUNDAY HAS COME. This coming Sunday is **CHILDREN'S DAY** in the life of our great Brotherhood. Upon this day our Brotherhood emphasizes the needs of Foreign Missions. We are hoping and praying that all will take a part in the missionary tasks of the Church by supporting our missionary offering. That reminds me of a story (a true one, purportedly):

A missionary offering was being taken up in a great church, and when the offering plate was passed by a certain member, he said, "I won't give anything, you see I don't believe in missions." The man passing the offering plate replied, "TAKE SOME THEN, IT'S FOR THE HEATHEN!"

Every gift for missions is a link in the chain that attempts to lift our sickened world.

You CAN help, even if your gift be small in monetary value. The gifts we bring to our world in need is blessed by God into a mighty weapon for good. Don't fail to make YOUR offering because it is too small, nor because it is too large—God needs them both, the very large, and the very small.

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "BEHOLD, THY KING IS COMING"

CHILDREN'S DAY GOAL FOR MISSIONS

\$500.00

June 12

Suggested Goals	Offering	Attendance
Men's Class	\$ 65.00	15
Ladies' Class	20.00	10
Friendly Class	30.00	25
Progressive Class	65.00	50
Berean Class	65.00	40
Come-Double Class	100.00	65
'58 Class	40.00	50
High School Dept.	10.00	40
Junior High	10.00	30
Junior Dept.	20.00	50
Primary Dept.	5.00	50
Kindergarten	5.00	30
Nursery	3.00	30
Babies & Toddlers	2.00	15

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A BIT OF HISTORY

The observance of Children's Day in the Christian churches had its beginning 80 years ago when three children in the home of J. H. Garrison, minister-editor, brought their penny bank to Mr. Garrison with the request "that the money be used to send missionaries to tell the story of Jesus to children of other lands." The bank contained \$1.13.

This humble gift marked the beginning of a new era of concern for missionary work. Children's Day has traditionally been the time for the receiving of special offering for brotherhood work, including the support of world missions.

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OUR FIELDS OF SERVICE

The Children's Day offering will help support our world-wide ministry in Belgian Congo, Union of South Africa, India, Philippines, Japan, Thailand, Nepal and Okinawa. Also, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Argentina and Paraguay.

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This world-wide ministry of our church depends upon the support given through the regular and special offerings from Sunday schools and churches. The only limitation placed upon the growth of Christian work is that imposed by the lack of significant sharing by Christian people. Our Children's Day special offering should be a genuine expression of our concern for world wide Christianity.

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PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop will be discontinued for the summer beginning next Sunday, June 12. It will be resumed in September.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

June 5, 1960

	Att.	C
Babies & Toddlers	7	1.
Nursery Department	32	3.
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	18	2.
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
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Primary Department	41	3.
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Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
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J. Carl Smith		
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James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	22	7.
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	34	18.
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	16	4.2
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	10.0
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	5.5
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
TOTALS	314	\$95.4

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

June 12, 1960

DEERS:

Cecil Rice — Dr. A. C. Worley

ACONS: For June —

Captain — Jack Sweeney, K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack B. Brickley

Howard J. Howell

Carl T. Fusselman

Tomane H. Cole

Omer Guingrich

John F. Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

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Mrs. Louis Culbertson

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Esther Circle will meet with Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Timbrook at Harlan, Indiana, Sunday, June 12, at 1:30 P.M. The members and their families are invited.

The Montgomery Circle will meet on Sunday, June 14 at 7:30 P.M. with Mrs. Stanley Cole, 7430 U.S. 24, West. Mrs. Bert Perkins is co-hostess. Worship by Mrs. Mimi Hunt. The group will have a business meeting of officers.

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Ethel Shroyer, 4821 Tacoma for a business dinner on Monday evening, June 13. Mrs. Donald Smith is co-hostess.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. H. Higgins, 213 W. Fleming, Tuesday, June 14 at 1:00 P.M.

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PARABLE OF THE VACATIONIST

Now it came to pass, as summer drew nigh, that Mr. Church Member lifted up his eyes unto the hills and said: "Lo, the hot days cometh and even now are at hand. Come, let us go into the heights, where cool breezes refresh us and glorious scenes await."

"Thou speakest wisely," quoth Mrs. Church Member. "Yet five, yea, even six, things we must do before we go."

"Five things I can think of, but not six," responded Mr. Church Member. "We must arrange for the flowers to be weeded, the grass to be cut, the utilities to be paid, the paper to be stopped, and the mail to be forwarded, but the sixth eludes my mind."

"The sixth is like unto the first five, yet is more important than all. Thou shalt dig down into thy purse and pay thy church pledge, that the good name of the church be preserved, and that it may be well with thee, for verily I say unto thee: 'Thou hast more money now than thou wilt have when thou dost return.'"

And it came to pass that Mr. Church Member paid his pledge for the summer and the treasurer rejoiced greatly, saying, "Of a truth, there are those who care for the Lord's work." And it was so.

—Adapted from J. V. Jacobs

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Charles Tharp was in Lutheran Hospital for a few days last week.

Mr. Lawrence Horn is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 129.

Vicki Grier, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grier is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

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SERVICE FOR BLESSING THE BABIES,
SUNDAY, JUNE 12

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 5, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	406
Church School Attendance	314
Regular Church Offering	1081.35
Building Fund Offering	218.60
Church School Offering	95.45

Total Offerings\$1395.40

NOTES

Mrs. W. C. Glass wishes to take the means of expressing her thanks and appreciation to all those friends who visited her, sent flowers, notes and cards of encouragement and cheer during her recent illness.

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The Junior High and High School Basketball team made approximately \$500 on the Car Wash last Saturday. This was used to pay for the Junior High Ball su. Thanks to Jim Shockney, Bill Montgome Bill Wetzel, Whitney Thompson and the other boys who participated. I would also like to thank Mr. Hartman who donated the space and water for this project. A good sunburn was had by all!

Jim Heavin, Coach

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Ronald Bogan, Wendell Rose, Jon Heavin, Clark Hiler and Ed Crowell are among those who will graduate this week. They were honored, with others, last Sunday by special recognition.

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Continuing the remarkable series of talks on favorite Bible characters, the first was given by Erin Rose. Four other members have participated in recent weeks during opening exercises. Ellen Crowe chose "Stephen" as her subject; Mr. Young spoke on "David"; "Esther" was given by Carolyn Ripple; Tom Ogden talked on "Nicodemus". It is planned to continue these interesting series and another member of the Bible School wishing to participate can do so by calling 1 Naile, S-3789.

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WEEK DAY VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL June 13 — 24 Inclusive

With Mrs. F. E. Morrical in charge of Vacation Church School will start next Monday morning. Registration begins 9:00 A.M. The fee is \$1.00 per child.

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Volume 18

Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 16, 1960

Number 38

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

In spite of the torrential downpour early Sunday morning a very fine attendance greeted the spirits of all who were in worship last Sunday morning. The music, as usual, was outstanding. We do miss many of the regular choir members however. We have a truly great music department and we thrill to their loyalty to the Church. Our fine staff of Bible School workers continue to lead and inspire a growing number of men and women, boys and girls who come to learn more of the Word of God. God bless these heralds of His Eternal Truth! These dedicated men and women are among the sung heroes of the Christian Faith!

The Daily Vacation Bible School got off to an excellent start under the leadership of Mrs. Floyd Morrical and a dedicated group of women. In spite of the rain nearly a hundred people were on hand to start the two week course! Bless them, every one!

A GUEST PREACHER will fill the pulpit this coming Sunday morning. Our Church has extended to Rev. John Williams an invitation to become our associate minister, in relationship to the Minister and Mr. Shockney. Mr. Williams is on vacation these next two weeks and decided to come to our church with his wife before making his decision. We wanted to show his wife our great church, and our wonderful, warm hearted people, and our fine city. I asked him to preach the sermon because I knew it would give our people a better look at him, and a better awareness of his ability. You will want to join on staying for the Coffee Time to get acquainted with Mr. Williams, and his fine wife, June. Let's have a filled sanctuary for this coming Sunday morning.

Final plans have been made for the minister and his wife to leave for the World Convention in Scotland. Mr. Wascovich will preach the sermon on Sunday, July 3rd, and they will leave immediately for Pennsylvania and on to New York where they will sail aboard the Queen Elizabeth on the afternoon of July 7th. No words are adequate to express our deepest appreciation for the opportunity of a lifetime which our great people have made possible. I shall try, as will your entire parsonage family, in the years ahead to express our gratitude by our untiring efforts to build a greater church to the glory of God. With your help and prayers we will build a church worthy of the Gospel of Christ, and worthy of the glory of God. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for this wonderful opportunity which shall enrich our ministry for all the years yet to come.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

June 19, 1960

ELDERS:

J. E. Weicker — William Caldwell

DEACONS: For June —

Captain — Jack Sweeney, K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack B. Brickley

Howard J. Howell

Earl T. Fusselman

Romane H. Cole

Omer Guingrich

John F. Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon H. Johns

Elmer Darwachter

William E. Bennett

DEACONESS for June —

Mrs. Louis Culbertson

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN for June —

Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Carter Palmer and her family in the recent loss of her mother, Mrs. Nettie Barr. Altho' Mrs. Barr had not transferred her membership to this church, she was a faithful attendant and supporter for as long as her health would allow. She made many friends in the Church and will be missed.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Miss Jean Baxter in the recent loss of her mother, Mrs. Joseph Baxter. Mrs. Baxter, until recent years was a faithful attendant at Worship services.

Our prayer is that these folk will be sustained and comforted in their time of sorrow.

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IN APPRECIATION

During the Morning worship this Sunday, the Wayne Circle No. 45, Ladies of the G. A. R., will present to the members of the Church and the minister, a new American Flag. You will be interested to know that these same ladies presented to our church our present flag, a number of years ago.

We greatly appreciate this very gracious courtesy on the part of these ladies. Mrs. Ida Mae England, a member of this group, is also a member of long standing, of our Church.

THE TRAGEDY OF THE UNSIGNED, UNDATED WILL

"Some years ago the importance having a will made out in proper form was impressed upon me when a middle aged woman — a spinster and church member for many years — died. Because she had been in frail health, I suggested that she should secure the services of a competent attorney and execute a will.

"To this she agreed, but because of her physical condition, postponed the matter.

"I did not press the case . . . and no conversation did I offer any recommendation regarding distribution of estate; I only urged her to make sure it would be distributed according to her desires.

"Then one afternoon it was discovered that the sick woman had died alone and unattended at an undetermined hour. The table beside her bed was a note in her handwriting, saying 'I want everything I have to go to my church.' IT WAS UNSIGNED AND UNDATED!

"When the matter came into court, her third cousin from outside the country laid claim to the estate. She admitted she had never met the deceased woman . . . had never corresponded with her. But the judge was compelled, according to the law, to award her the estate consisting of bank deposits of \$30,000 because she had left no valid will.

"Every person of legal age, who owns any property of any kind, should have a will made out which will stand up in court. No one is a good steward who does not administer his estate after death . . . and it can be done by means of a will, properly executed."

—By Dr. Roy L. Smith

"NOT FORSAKING
the Assembling of
Ourselves Together"

Heb. 10:25

Your love for Christ is
shown by your loyalty to
His church, your regular
attendance at all services.

CHRIST INVITES YOU

LOVE DEMANDS YOUR PRESENCE

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

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KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP

The Kindergarten Workshop is discontinued for the summer and also, will be resumed in September.

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EMERGENCY APPEAL

Our people are urged to give clothing, clothing, or money, for Chilean Relief. Remember it is winter there. The Colnshire Church of the Brethren, 6414 South Calhoun Street are receiving any contributions. The Church World Service pack will pick up the clothing. LET US HELP THEM! Get your offerings to the church of the Brethren as soon as possible.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING

— INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS —

The last meeting of this Missionary year will be held on next Tuesday, June 21st, 8 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Mrs. Finkhusen will preside at a short business session. Worship by the Fellowship Guild. Mrs. A. N. Shockney, Program Chairman, in charge of the program, part of which will be a skit. Mrs. Wm. Caldwell will install the new officers. Executive Committee is in charge of Hospitality. Spice table will serve refreshments.

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The Executive Committee will meet that evening at 7:15 P.M. in the Chapel.

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HOUSE CLEANING DAY!

The Christian Women's Fellowship will have their annual cleaning day on Tuesday, June 28. Any one wishing to help will be welcomed.

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Idle is a watch that wants both hands, useless if it goes as if it stands.

—William Cowper

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Granting that it is possible to worship in the woods and the fields, it is still to bear in mind that there is a difference between true worship and just gazing at the landscape.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

June 12, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	9	.55
Nursery Department	23	4.05
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhusen		
Kindergarten	18	1.92
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	42	7.97
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	33	7.58
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	23	5.66
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	22	5.25
James Naille, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	19	34.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	32	28.10
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	14	28.55
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	35	51.35
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	15	30.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	7	19.25
Harry Harman		
Officers	3	
TOTALS	299	\$244.23

PERILS OF THE SUMMERTIME

The distractions and dangers of summertime seem to be here to stay. Some of those perennial problems can survive a lot of ignorance. Here are some that are with us:

1. Low temperature. June, July and August frequently ring an astonishing temperature inversion — as the Fahrenheit thermometer goes up the spiritual thermometer goes down.

2. Overcrowding. Mainly on Sunday. Overcrowding at the golf course and creek bank, overcrowding at the picnic grounds and beach, overcrowding on highways and in the byways. Overcrowding everywhere—except in church parking lots.

3. Sleeping sickness. The summer variety has nothing to do with the tsetse fly and is not restricted to tropical Africa. Symptoms include drowsiness and lethargy. The brain and the backbone seem to be affected, but it is doubtful that the trouble is organic since this particular kind of sleeping sickness occurs mainly on Sunday mornings.

4. The Sunday Afternoon coma. Most summer weather appears to aggravate this deplorable malady. It is mostly a spiritual condition characterized by lassitude and complacency, a state of profound insensibility from which it is difficult to arouse a person in time for the Sunday evening Church services.

These are but a few of the perils and pitfalls which beset the wayfarer during this season of the year. You alone can decide how you will use God's good summertime.

—Rosen Heights Baptist

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Arthur Betz is ill and she is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 466.

Mr. Arthur Mowery is a patient in Peoria Hospital.

Miss Caroline Baughman, CYF President, is in Room 466, Lutheran Hospital.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers last Sunday were given by Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Wooldridge and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wellman.

The Flowers this week are the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Eural G. Rose.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 12, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	331
Church School Attendance	299
Regular Church Offering	696.97
Building Fund Offering	211.40
Church School Offering	244.23
(Children's Day)	30.00

Total Offerings\$1172.30



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Volume 18 Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 23, 1960 Number 39

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Just a note of gratitude for the excellent attendance at Bible School and Morning Worship this past Sunday morning. Gee, but it is a great pleasure to be the minister of such a wonderful congregation. We received a fine message from Rev. John Williams Cullman, Alabama. It now appears as though he will accept our church's invitation to become our associate minister. They are young, devoted Christians in every aspect of their lives. I'm personally proud to have had a part in their dedication of life. I am convinced that God has greater things in store for our congregation than we are now able to foresee. Pray with us and for us! Share with us in the work of the Kingdom of God at every point at which you are able! And the offering Sunday morning was a very fine offering. We are beating the summer slump so far, and I'm absolutely certain that when September rolls around we will find that you have done it again — a growing attendance and evidence of continued growth in devotion to the causes which are God's. Make your vacations, by all means — but not from God! Take God with you, for God and God alone is supremely important!

I will preach just twice more prior to leaving for Europe. I am anxious to get back to my pulpit after last Sunday's absence. I shall be preaching on a theme which is questioned by too many people: "NO CHRISTIANITY APART FROM THE CHURCH." I think the Church is the most important institution on the face of the earth — bar none! I believe the Church is the instrument of God for the redemption of a lost and dying world! The debt you and I owe to the Church is beyond measure! I believe that for you and for me there is no salvation apart from the Church — and Sunday I'll tell you why I believe it!

When the Williams' decide to come or not to come, one area of their lives will need our help. If they decide to come (I personally feel they will come) they will need to make some provision for housing and for someone to come into their home and take care of their baby while Mrs. Williams teaches school. In December the baby will go to Nursery School. We should like to find a 3 bedroom house to rent in the general area of Harrison Hill School and our Church. If you know of any please get in touch with the church office. If you know of someone who will need to have work in a home such as this one, let us know about that also.

If I seem nervous and jumpy lately it's because the time is drawing very near when we will be leaving for Europe on the Queen Elizabeth. After the morning service on July 3rd we will leave for Penna., and on to New York. Let's have a truly great service on the morning of July 3rd. We'll want the memory of our great church at worship to be the last experience before sailing!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Vacation Church School will close its session with an "Open House" on Friday evening, June 24. Our School this year has been a most successful one. Parents and friends are invited to come, and from 7:30 to 8 P.M. they will have opportunity to see the exhibits. At 8 o'clock every one will go to Fellowship Hall for a short program by the children.

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The members of the Official Board, the Congregation and the minister wish to express their sincere appreciation and thanks to all those who made possible the success of our Vacation Church School.

The following persons, under the able leadership of Mrs. F. E. Morrical, Director, led our School these past two weeks:

Beginner Dept. — Mrs. James Hirschy, Mrs. Robert Westerfield, Mrs. Thomas Thornbury, Mrs. Herbert Banet, Mrs. Willis Wuthrick, Miss Suzette Hunt.

Kindergarten — Mrs. Robert Hendricks, Mrs. Ted Bryan, Mrs. Ralph Sheets, Mrs. Howard Overmyer, Miss Charlotte Powell, Miss Erin Rose.

Primary — Mrs. Edwin Allen, Mrs. Howard Howell, Mrs. John Merrill, Mrs. Clair Buskirk, Mrs. Ben Taylor, Mrs. Wm. Franklin, Mrs. Maxwell Smith, Miss Ellen Crowder, Miss Mary Crowder, Miss Debbie Love, Miss Peggy Love.

Juniors — Mrs. Harold Addison, Mrs. Hendricks Love, Mrs. Rex Porter, Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. Bill Winans, Mrs. L. R. Muselman.

Director's Helpers — Ardis Young, Connie Wascovich.

Nursery Helpers — Miss Susan Mowery, Miss Jane Badders.

Registration — Mrs. Paul Truby, Mrs. Robert Rayl, Mrs. Kenneth Johnston.

Family Night — Mrs. Paul Roth, Mrs. George Wascovich.

Mrs. Arza Smith prepared Kool-ade and cookies each day for the children.

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A torn jacket is soon mended, but hard words bruise the heart of a child.

—Henry W. Longfellow

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

June 26, 1960

ELDERS:

Robert Rayl — David Hogg

DEACONS: For June —

Captain — Jack Sweeney, K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack B. Brickley

Howard J. Howell

Earl T. Fusselman

Romane H. Cole

Omer Guingrich

John F. Hechler

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

At the Annual Installation of Officers Service last Tuesday evening, the following officers were installed for the coming year: President — Mrs. L. Culbertson; First Vice-President — Mrs. A. N. Shoney; Second Vice-President — Mrs. Robert Ogles; Recording Secretary — Mrs. W. R. Love; Corresponding Secretary — Mrs. Edwin R. Allen; Treasurer — Mrs. Robert Clipp; Group Leaders: Mrs. John McFarland, Dr. Royal J. Dye Circle; Mrs. Irene Kissinger, Esther Circle; Mrs. Owen Vaught, Fellowship Guild; Mrs. Roy Beal, Dr. E. K. Higdon Circle; Mrs. H. G. F. Muth, Rev. Paul C. Kepple Circle; Mrs. Jefferson Young, Mrs. Grace McGavock Circle; Mrs. George Bruckman, Mrs. J. Montgomery Circle; Mrs. Lee Bragg, Robert Nelson Circle; Mrs. Harold Addison, Rev. Byron Spice Circle; Mrs. William Caldwell served as Installing Officer.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

June 19, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	9	1.50
Nursery Department	26	2.64
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	20	3.78
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	42	3.25
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	30	4.68
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	25	4.55
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	11	2.61
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
Senior "58" Class	14	7.50
Mr. E. Weicker		
Mr. Carl Smith		
Senior-Double Class	32	20.25
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Senior Class	16	8.08
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	18	9.50
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Seniorly Class	18	3.62
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	6.55
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
TOTALS	279	\$79.51

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

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KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP

The Kindergarten Workshop is discontinued for the summer and also, will be resumed in September.

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We are proud to introduce you to our newest member, Miss Cathy Ann Uhl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Uhl. Cathy was born June 9, 1960. Kindest good wishes to Cathy, her little brother, and her proud parents.

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NOTES!

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Coburn wish to take this means of expressing their thanks and appreciation for the many cards, calls, expressions of sympathy and thoughtful kindnesses extended to them during their recent time of sorrow.

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The Chancel flowers on Sunday, June 26, are given by Miss Ethel Shroyer and Mrs. Donald Smith in memory of their father.

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Whoso loves a child loves not himself but God; whoso delights a child labors with God in His workshop of the world of hearts; whoso helps a child brings the Kingdom of God; whoso saves a child from the fingers of evil sits in the seat with the builders of cities and the procurers of peace.

—Norman Duncan

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Miss Marguerite McGuire is a patient in Room 136 Lutheran Hospital.

Word comes that Mrs. W. C. Glass & Mrs. Scott Powers are slowly improving.

Mr. Robert Ogles has been a patient in Parkview for several weeks. He is slowly improving.

Let us keep in mind the sick of our congregation, and our shut-ins.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class will hold a picnic in Weisser Park on Saturday, June 1 at 4:30 P.M. Bring your family, a covered dish, and table service. The meat & drinks will be furnished.

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CWF HOUSE CLEANING DAY

The CWF is having its annual cleaning day on Tuesday, June 28. The House Committee and any others who can help please come. Bring your lunch and enjoy a day of work, fun and fellowship.

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PLEASE NOTE!

Will the person who has the book, "Peoples Padre" return it to the Church soon as possible. If you haven't finished with it, please call the church office that its whereabouts may be known. Thank you.

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CHILEAN RELIEF EMERGENCY APPEAL

Sponsored by

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

On Monday, June 27, the CYF will be coming to your homes to collect money for winter clothing and blankets for the victims of the Chilean disaster. Two million people are homeless and the need for medicines, clothing and temporary shelter is crucial. We know there will be a good response to this emergency from the people of the Church. If you will not be home on Monday but would like a contribution picked up, please call H-15675.

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The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.

—Marcus Antoninus

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7:00 P.M. Thursdays — Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal during June.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 19, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	319
Church School Attendance	279
Regular Church Offering	\$ 895.52
Building Fund Offering	171.90
Church School Offering	79.90
(Children's Day)	24.00
Total Offerings	\$1170.93



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 18

Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 30, 1960

Number 40

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Well once more we come to the last issue of the **Tidings** for the summer. We will resume its publication the first week of September, and anything of major importance will be sent to the congregation by special letter. Just to keep before you the summer schedule, here is the list of worship leaders:

- July 3 Mr. Wascovich—"THE A, B, C's OF CHRISTIANITY".
- 10 Dr. S. Marion Smith (Head of Dept. of New Testament, Christian Theological
- 17 Dr. S. Marion Smith.
- 24 Mr. James Shockney.
- 31 Dr. T. W. Nakarai (Head, Dept. of Semitics & Old Testament)
- "MY CONVERSION".
- August 7 Dr. T. W. Nakarai — "FAITH".
- 14 Mr. James Shockney.
- 21 Mr. Wascovich: "PAUPERS ON THE STREETS OF HEAVEN".
- 28 Mr. Wascovich: "THEY ALL ALIKE BEGAN TO MAKE EXCUSES".

It is my prayer that the wonderful members of this congregation will remember your personage family in your prayers while we are gone. We will miss our fine city and our great Church. We promise to be in prayer about you all, and covet all of your prayers for ourselves and our children while we are separated from them.

Let me urge your support of our guest ministers. These are dedicated Christian leaders who are held in high esteem by a great Brotherhood. Support these summer services. Let them also know the thrill of preaching to a great congregation such as ours. Remember the two professors will be making a journey of around 250 miles, round-trip, to share their lives with you, by all means journey across town to give them your loyal support. God bless you all.

LAST ISSUE OF TIDINGS UNTIL SEPTEMBER

PLEASE FILE FOR REFERENCE

**AT THE MASTER'S TABLE
OFFICERS SERVING: JULY, AUGUST and
SEPTEMBER**

ELDERS: JULY

- 3—Albert Powell — William Love
- 10—Glenn Miller — William Crouse
- 17—Harold Crowder — Walter Birkhold
- 24—Charles Billiard — Hugh Rice
- 31—Cecil Rice — Robert Clipp

AUGUST:

- 7—David Griggs — James Shockney
- 14—Jack Weicker — Dr. A. C. Worley
- 21—Robert Rayl — William Caldwell
- 28—Hugh Rice — Harold Crowder

SEPTEMBER:

- 4—David Hogg — Glenn Miller
- 11—Albert Powell — Harold Crowder

DEACONS: JULY

- Captain—Stephen Blaising — H-2256
- Kenneth L. Edwards
- Frank M. Moody
- Robert Hendricks
- Orville Moody
- Myron M. Cole
- Edwin R. Allen
- John C. Varner
- Robert Ogles
- L. R. Musselman
- John L. Jefferies
- Phillip E. Uhl

DEACONS: AUGUST

- Captain—Ralph E. Church — H-78155
- Paul D. Truby
- LeRoy Timbrook
- Edwin R. Hall
- James H. Naile
- Wm. E. Franklin
- Berton Purdy
- Wm. P. Vunora
- W. Harry Imbody
- James P. Heavin
- Rufus S. Quinn
- Earl A. Plummer

DEACONS: SEPTEMBER

- Captain—Harry Harman — H-60254
- Louis M. Culbertson
- F. Marion Coburn
- Gorden E. Welker
- Paul E. Yentes
- Cliff K. Travis
- Garland Morroll
- Whitney Thompson
- Laurence Coleman
- Solon E. Merriman
- Cecil Beck

DEACONESSSES:

- July**—Mrs. James Shockney
- August**—Mrs. Romane Cole
- September**—Mrs. Rolland Ripple

HOSPITALITY:

- July**—Mrs. F. E. Morrical
- August**—Mrs. Earl Fusselman
- September**—Mrs. William Love

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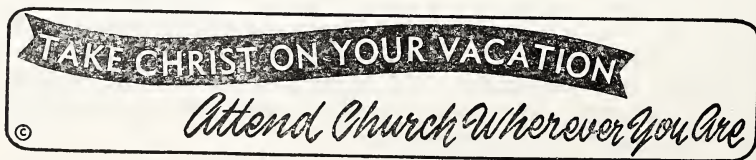
To all the Committee Chairmen, Circles, Leaders and to each and every one of you who have done your share and more to make this another successful year for the Christian Women's Fellowship, I thank you one and all.

Mrs. Max Finkhouser

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When one door closes, another opens. But we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.

Alexander Graham Bell



TIMELY WORDS FROM ARNOLD TOYNBEE

(famous Historian)

Religion holds the solution to all problems of human relationship, whether they be between parents and children or between nation and nation. Sooner or later, man has always had to decide whether he worships his own power or the power of God. When threats force him to look at the limitations of his human power, he's then ready to seek his spiritual one. That we need is patience and awe of God's plan in human history!

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Miss Marguerite McGuire has been a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 136.

Mrs. Esther Powers is a patient in Room 8, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Arthur Betz is still in the Hospital.

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VACATIONING WITH GOD

"Come ye apart into a desert place and rest for a while . . . I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help . . . The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose . . ."

The Master knew the value of solitude. It is good to be apart for a while from the pressures of life, to gain perspective and find anew life's meaning in God. As we lift up our eyes unto the eternal hills we realize that from the Eternal beyond the peace comes the revelation of God's grace. We pray God's blessings upon all the vacationing members of our congregation, that they may truly find rest and refreshment for body and soul.

I saw God wash the world last night
With His sweet showers on high,
And then when morning came
I saw Him hang it out to dry.
I saw God wash the world last night;
Ah, would He had washed me
As clean of all my dust and dirt
As that old white birch tree!

—Copied

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LADIES, ATTENTION PLEASE!

The women of the Fellowship cleaned up last week and at that time set out all the dishes, pots and pans, etc., for use by you at various times during the year. Will you please go to the kitchen the next time you are at church and pick up that which belongs to you.

Also, the women kindly request that you check your cupboards and return to the Church, dishes, pans, etc., which you have taken home and not yet returned. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

June 26, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	7	.50
Nursery Department	21	1.00
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	27	2.39
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Brayn		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	35	3.51
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	30	3.97
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	21	3.25
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	18	3.89
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
The "58" Class	20	11.25
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	34	14.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	23	10.68
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	21	11.50
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	10	2.55
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	5.25
Harry Harman		
Officers	3	
TOTALS	282	\$75.18

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 26, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	286
Church School Attendance	282
Regular Church Offering	708.21
Building Fund Offering	242.50
Church School Offering	75.18

Total Offerings\$1025.89

LAST ISSUE OF TIDINGS UNTIL SEPTEMBER

PRIMARY WORKSHOP

The Primary Workshop is discontinued for the summer. It will be resumed September.

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KINDERGARTEN WORKSHOP

The Kindergarten Workshop is discontinued for the summer and also, will be resumed in September.

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SAVE

BETTY CROCKER COUPONS

Please continue saving Betty Crocker Coupons and drop them in the offer plate or mail them to the office. They may be given to Mrs. Wm. Love. Women are using these coupons to buy salad forks and teaspoons for use at parties and receptions.

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"YES, I TITHE"


Yes, I tithe, and I would like to tell you how it all came about. I had to be a work as a small boy to help support my mother. My first wages amounted to \$1.00 per week. The first week after I went to work, I took the \$1.50 home to my mother and she held the money in her lap. She explained to me that she would be happy if I would give a tenth of it to the Lord.

I did, and from that week until this day I have tithed every dollar God has trusted to me. And I want to say, if I had not tithed that first dollar, I would not have tithed the first million I made. Tell your readers to train the children to tithe, for they will grow up to be faithful stewards of the Lord.

John D. Rockefeller, Sr.

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Nothing is



God's

PROGRAM

- ✓ For Developing His People
- ✓ For Financing His Church
- ✓ For Teaching Dependence on God

BRING YE ALL THE TITHES
INTO THE STOREHOUSE

MAL. 3:10



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Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 15, 1960

Number 50

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Friends:

Well, another summer is history, and what a wonderful summer it has been! The children are back in school and all of us are caught up in the enthusiasm of doing so! Our homes are as busy as bee hives and we wouldn't want them any other way. Our church is expecting its members to get back in harness and make our worship one of meaningful and creative activity. Let's all pitch in and make our School one of the finest in the land. Our worship services are always great experiences of fellowship and inspiration. What a wonderful experience it always is to hear our great choir and the fine soloists! Some of the choir members haven't come back into harness yet — but we urge you to do so soon. We need you all to make our choir a truly great one.

The fall and winter schedule will be as follows:

9:15 A.M. THE CHURCH AT STUDY.

10:30 A.M. THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP.

5:30 P.M. Christian Youth Fellowship

As we begin our fall program we want to welcome our associate minister, Rev. and John W. Williams, and his fine family. Needless to say it will be easier for you to remember their names (they are only four) than it will be for them to remember all members (Several thousand) . . . therefore, in the next few months when you meet them introduce yourselves to them and make them feel right at home. (Any long underlings will also be appreciated!! ha, ha)

Let's make this fall and winter the most memorable Church year we have ever known. I am sure we can, and I have confidence we will make it a truly great one. Attend Bible School and Church every Sunday morning. You young people, let's make C. Y. F. a great one!

Sunday's Sermon: "DECISIONS DETERMINE DESTINY".

NEEDED: 500 Concerned and Committed Christians in Worship Sunday.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 11, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	13	1.50
Nursery Department	23	2.51
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	17	3.62
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	36	2.95
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	39	5.16
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	23	5.62
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	17	3.24
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
Miss Caroline Baughman, Pres.		
College Class	0	0
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	22	13.25
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	34	12.41
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	19	7.57
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	26	16.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	20	5.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.60
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.85
Harry Harman		
Officers	3	
TOTALS	307	\$85.53

'58 CLASS

Newly elected officers of the '58 Class for year 1960-61 are: F. Marion Cobu, President; Mrs. H. P. Worth, Vice-President; Mrs. W. J. Quinlan, Sec'y-Treas.

The '58 Class recently purchased \$30. in toys for 2 and 4 year and nursery children of the Church School.

These gifts are greatly appreciated and we extend sincere thanks to members of this Class.

STORK NEWS

Patrician Ann has come to live for time with the Quinlans. She was born August 9, 1960. Congratulations and best wishes go out to these fine young foster parents.

Mark Robin is the new little son of Robert and Marilyn Rayl. He came to stay with them on September 4, 1960. We wish to congratulate this fine young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Miller of the proud grandparents.

We are happy to announce the Mrs. Finkhousens are the proud parents of a little baby girl. Barbara Lynn was born Monday morning, September 12. We congratulate Barbara Lynn and extend good wishes to her family.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OFFICERS

Our Associate Minister, Mr. John Williams, and the Christian Education Committee are calling a meeting of teachers and officers of the Church School to Carry-in dinner meeting on Monday evening, September 19 at 6:00 P.M. At this meeting we hope to discuss plans for launching our Fall program through the Church School. We urge a 100 percent attendance.

NEW TEMPLES

"I think God loves new temples built to Him

And watches as each stone is laid in stone,

And smiles to see them laid so straight and true.

Lifting the strong wide walls to heaven blue.

And when the carpenters have done with them,

And each new church stands finished and alone.

When dusk sifts violet shadows through the glass

Of painted windows. I think that God must pass

Between the new dim aisles, and stopping where

The last light falls across His shining hair.

He kneels and holds the first communion there."

—Author unknown.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

OFFICERS SERVING — SEPTEMBER 18

DERS:

Charles Billiard — David Griggs

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SPITALITY: SEPTEMBER

Mrs. William R. Love

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NOTES

Mrs. C. F. Durfee wishes to take this
ans to express her appreciation for the
ds, notes and many kindnesses shown
at the time of the death of her brother,
Jerry George, who passed away Au-
t '22, at Leipsic, Ohio.

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We wish to express our sincere sym-
ny to Mrs. Harry Ashe and her family
the recent death of her mother, Mrs.
tie Warner. Mrs. Warner was for some
e a member of this congregation. She
s 86 years old. Her many friends here
be saddened to hear of this loss to
. Ashe and her family.

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adults of the church an invitation to a
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OUR PRAYER LIST

Many of our fine members have been
in the hospital during the past few weeks,
they are: Mr. W. C. Glass, Curtis Hart,
Mrs. Ernest Pond, Mr. Ward Bundy. Mrs.
Emily Lowman is still a patient in Luth-
eran Hospital.

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Mrs. John Olson is a patient in Room
312, Lutheran Hospital.

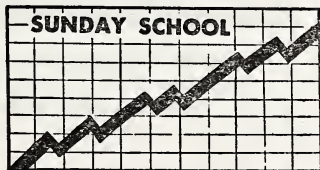
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NEW COLLEGE CLASS

Mr. Richard Vanderwall has been
selected as teacher for the new College
Class which will meet for their first study
on next Sunday morning at 9:15 in the
room above the church office. All young
people above High School age and em-
ployed young people are cordially invited
to become members of this Class.

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An intelligent man gives up his childish
notions of science and philosophy, but
does not give up science or philosophy.
So he outgrows his childish notions of
religion, but holds on to his religion.



IT'S GROWING

- You are cordially invited to share in the ministry of our
growing, happy, friendly

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- God's Power is unbounded. His love is everlasting. His
strength will keep you.

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I have tried to keep things in my hands and lost them all, but what I have given into God's hands I still possess.

Martin Luther

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Regular Church Offering	897.05
Building Fund Offering	189.04
Church School Offering	85.53

Total Offerings\$1171.62

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There isn't any use trying to shine unless you take time to fill your lamp.

CAR WASH!!

The members of Christian Youth Fellowship will have a CAR WASH next Saturday from 9 to 5:00 at the Hartman Sunoco Service Station, corner Pettit and Calhoun. Your patronage is solicited.

Through this means our Youth raise a part of their missionary funds.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The September 20th meeting of the Fellowship will be a luncheon meeting at 12:30 P.M. The worship period by Spice Circle will open the afternoon meeting in the Church Parlor. Program by Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, "Crown Thine Ancient Church's Story". A short business session will be conducted by Mrs. L. M. Culbertson, President, CWF. The Dye Circle is in charge of hospitality. All women of the church and friends, are invited.

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PLEASE NOTE!

PARENTS OF NURSERY AGE BABIES

Please be sure to label your baby's bottles, cups, and diaper bags. These articles all look alike to the Nursery attendants. Your co-operation will be appreciated.



Your Church
is YOU

Sanctified by God's Presence,
Your Church Represents the
Cumulative Effort of its
members.

If Every Member Were Just
Like You, Would God be
Proud of the Result?

GOD NEEDS YOU
YOU NEED GOD

BE READY TO SERVE
WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

It was a great thrill to see 378 in our Bible School Sunday morning and a full sanctuary at Morning Worship. We believe that in a few short weeks our attendance Bible School should reach the 500 mark! October 2 is RALLY DAY as well as PROMOTION SUNDAY in the Bible School. Of course there is no promotion in the young adult classes and adult classes, but the children who are to be promoted are expected to meet in the sanctuary with their teachers at 9:15 A.M. on that Sunday. If you are not attending Bible School let me assure you that you are missing a real treat. Our knowledge of God's Word can be increased and your spiritual life deepened starting now to cultivate the Word of God. Let's all resolve today to start going Bible School. There are four adult classes where men and women both participate and in one of these you surely will find a place.

Let us all remember that coming up are some mighty important dates:

October 16—Christian Theological Seminary Day. \$1,500.

(On this day we seek to undergird the ministry of the Church by helping sustain the training of the ministry. The \$1,500 goal is the amount needed to sustain one graduate student for one school year in the graduate seminary. We have accepted the responsibility for undergirding the training of an adequate ministry by raising \$1,500 for Christian Theological Seminary. Every one of us will need to make a real contribution to this essential missionary project.)

November 6th—School for Christian Living begins.

(During the School for Christian Living the families of our fellowship share in some real studies of the Christian life. This area of our Church life is completely different from any other study experience. Plan now to attend!)

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 8—MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST—8:00 A.M. Yes, Men, Saturday morning begins our prayer breakfasts. The minister will have charge of the program and it promises to be most interesting. Let's have 25 men, at least, for the first session.

Sunday Morning's Sermon Theme:

"A FAITH FOR OUR TIMES"

ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Eva Mosier is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 275. Mrs. Mosier fell last week and fractured her knee.

Allen Robinson has been a patient in Parkview Hospital for several days.

Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain is a patient at Parkview Hospital having undergone surgery on Tuesday.

Mrs. F. E. Morrical has been ill at her home for the past week.

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Revolution is here, in manners, morals, philosophy, economics, politics and international affairs. Christians should be, and should have been among the first to read in the signs of the times the will of God. Most Christians have made no such effort.

—Barton Hunter, Social Trends,
October World Call

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PONDER THIS

To achieve any improvement at all in the political climate of the world, the two Great Powers must first reach a satisfactory agreement on the control of atomic energy and the prohibition of atomic weapons. Nothing of any great importance can be accomplished before then.

A great deal has been said in favor of "open diplomacy". That it has certain merits cannot be denied. Yet the atmosphere is so highly charged with provocative propaganda that one wonders whether a partial return to "secret diplomacy" may not offer certain advantages now denied to a diplomacy exclusively practiced upon a rostrum, before a microphone, in quest of voting majorities. A judicious combination of both methods is probably the answer.

The stubborn pride of power has become a luxury that we can no longer afford. Even appeasement, a word of contempt, may soon assume a new meaning and a new dignity. For now we have none to appease except humanity itself in its desperate impatience to be anchored in some secure haven of cooperation and mutual trust, and nothing to allay except its bottomless thirst for enduring peace.

—Carlos P. Romulo

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Cecil Beck

DEACONESS: SEPTEMBER

Mrs. Rolland Ripple

HOSPITALITY: SEPTEMBER

Mrs. William R. Love

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You need only talk a few moments any missionary to realize that the reason he is there is because he (or she) thoroughly loves his work, loves it intensely despite its many hardships and small financial rewards.

Examples of this spirit, zeal and enthusiasm on the part of missionaries are all about and perhaps best expressed by an energetic young American medical doctor in Thailand who said, "I know no place in this world I'd rather be."

—Charles F. Garver,
World Call



to meet new friends . . . to
learn more about God's
Holy Word . . . to find out
more about truly happy
living.

ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL

learn about your
greatest friend *Jesus*



**A CALL
FOR
*You***

The invitation to attend
Sunday School is Personal,
Sincere, Direct.

YOU will find a place in these services.
FRIENDLY PEOPLE WELCOME YOU

COME—WORSHIP—SERVE

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CHURCH SCHOOL EVENTS

September 25 begins the period for new Church School enrollment. This period close with the Sunday of October 30. Those attending the Church School during this period will be enrolled on the permanent Church School membership list.

Our members are urged to meet with their respective classes each Sunday morning during this period.

There are Classes for all age groups! Teachers are to be responsible for collecting these enrollment cards and turning them in to the Church office.

The teachers and officers who were present at the Monday evening meeting must sign out by enrolling themselves in their respective classes.

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BEREAN CLASS

The Bereans met recently and held their annual election of officers, they are: Harold Benson, President; Hugh Bassett, Vice-president; Mrs. Wm. Ganter, Sec'y.-Treas.

The Berean Class Party will be held Friday, September 24 at 6:30 at the home of Mrs. Charles MacDowell. Other hostesses are Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vanderwall. Bring your pillows.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 18, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	9	1.50
Nursery Department	31	3.08
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	3.38
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	48	3.99
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	42	5.55
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	21	2.75
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	21	6.29
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
College Class	6	
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	28	9.15
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	43	27.65
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	29	8.50
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	37	26.30
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	22	4.20
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	4.50
Harry Harman		
Officers	2	
TOTALS	378	\$108.04

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

September 18, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	373
Church School Attendance	378
Regular Church Offering	932.76
Building Fund Offering	220.50
Church School Offering	108.04

Total Offerings\$1261.30

"ALWAYS ASKING FOR MONEY!"

"After nearly thirty years in the ministry I want to speak a plain word about oft-repeated but thoughtless remark—"church is always asking for money."

"It just is not so! It is a defense statement used by stingy people who holding on to their pocketbooks, or ignorant people who have not learned the ABCs of life. For the fact is that we have nothing that was gained and given. We are accountable to Almighty God for all our possessions.

I know this is about as diplomatic as Roscoe's remark when he turned to wife in a crowded room and said, 'Do you mind coming over here and settling argument, dear? These people won't believe you are as old as you are.' But is true when a man says that the church is always asking for money, he is telling you anything about the church, is telling on himself.

"I have known several thousand church people, and I am here to say that the who love the Lord support His church, grudgingly, but with gratitude and good cheer. I have never heard one generous soul express regret for his generosity say he was sorry for any contribution made to the church. The experience of generosity corroborates all that the New Testament says about it. When we press pity for the great sacrifices, they laugh in our faces. They feel sorry for

So, if I sometimes seem to be after you money, it is because I am trying to do you a favor, since 'it is more blessed to give than to receive,' as the Lord said, and know very well if I don't find the way in your pocketbook, the devil will. Do I hear someone say, 'Amen?' That's fine, Amen means 'Yea, Lord, it must be' and I will stand my share of the expense

—John Paul Pack
University Christian Church
Seattle, Washington

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Please be sure to label your baby bottles, cups, and diaper bags. The articles all look alike to the Nursery attendants. Your co-operation will be appreciated.

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NEW COLLEGE CLASS

Mr. Richard Vanderwall has been selected as teacher for the new College Class which meets each Sunday morning at 9:15 in the room above the church office. All young people above High School age and employed young people are cordially invited to become members of this Class.



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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 18

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Number 52

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Sunday is OPERATION — **RALLY DAY** in our great Bible School this coming Sunday morning. It is our prayer that some 500 men and women, boys and girls will be in attendance at 9:15 A.M. The promotion of the children will take place during this time and it will be an excellent time to get your children in the proper classes with the right teachers.

The four adult classes will welcome all who have not been attending any church school class. The Berean class now meets in the church sanctuary and welcomes any adult who wishes to study the Bible. The minister teaches the Bible from the Phillips translation, and discussion on difficult passages is urged. You are welcome to begin your search for a Bible School class by meeting with the Berean class this coming Sunday morning in the church sanctuary.

We want 500 of our people present. Will you help us to reach that goal? If not, why not?

Every teacher in our Bible School will be installed to their sacred task this coming Sunday morning in the Worship Service. The classes are urged to sit with their teachers as a token of the appreciation the class holds for their teacher. Let's make this a wonderful experience never to be forgotten by the teachers of our Bible School.

Dr. Ernest Shelley, consulting psychologist at the Boy's Vocational School, East Lansing, Michigan, and a Methodist layman, speaking to a group of ministers, gave me graphic indications of the influence or lack of influence of the church on the life of youthful delinquents. (Based on a survey of 1,000 boys over a period of years he conducted.)

- only 3% were church members.
- 17% had been in Bible School.
- 15% had belonged to church youth groups
- 83% HAD NEVER BEEN INSIDE OF A CHURCH.
- 14% reported infrequent attendance
- ONLY 3% REPORTED REGULAR ATTENDANCE.

Then he pointed out: 86% never heard the Bible read in their homes; 81% never heard prayer in their homes; and 96% could remember no discussion of religion in their homes.

Sunday Morning's Sermon: "THE CHURCH FACES ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUTH"

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September 25, 1960

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Babies & Toddlers	10	.50
Nursery Department	23	3.94
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	3.05
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	47	5.21
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	45	6.02
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	21	3.54
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	20	4.85
James Naile, Teacher		
Tom Ogles, Co-Pres.		
College Class	6	1.07
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	21	13.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	31	22.00
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	25	5.55
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	34	14.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
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Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	22	4.25
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Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.75
Harry Harman		
Officers	4	
TOTALS	350	\$94.23

A BOX SUPPER

The Come Double Class extends to the adults of the church an invitation to a Box Supper and a "Back to School" Party to be held in the Church Fellowship Hall Saturday evening, October 1st at 6: P.M. Each lady is to bring a beautiful decorated box containing a supper for two and her name inside. Proceeds from the auction sale of the boxes to be used for a church benefit project. Hot or cold drinks will be furnished. Come and enjoy a "fun for all" program planned for everyone's enjoyment.

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NEW COLLEGE CLASS

Mr. Richard Vanderwall, teacher. This Class has been recently organized and there were six young people present last Sunday morning. We would like to double this number on Rally Day, October 2.

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RALLY DAY -- OCTOBER 2



Come
LET US

STUDY TOGETHER

You will like the friendly, cordial spirit of Sunday School . . . enjoy the Bible discussion led by qualified teachers.

YOU BELONG IN SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH YOUR FAMILY

STORK NEWS

Keith Patrick Evans is the new little son born to Donna and Mel Evans on September 20. Congratulations and best wishes to these fine young people. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Leversee are the proud grandparents.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving — October

ERS: October 2
 Robert Rayl — William Crouse
 ACONS:
 Captain — Jack Sweeney — K-4898
 James J. Cain
 Jack Brickley
 Howard J. Howell
 E. T. Fusselman
 Romane Cole
 Omer Guingrich
 John Hechler
 Arza Smith
 Leon Johns
 Elmer Darwacher
 ACONESS — October
 Mrs. Glenn Miller
 SPITALITY — October
 Mrs. Hugh Rice

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Alpha Piercy recently suffered a broken hip in an automobile accident. She is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Little Greg Roth is a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

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STORK NEWS

Frederick Eugene has come to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bryan. He was born on Sunday, September 18. Best wishes and congratulations to these fine young parents.

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Loyalty Sunday

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. E. N. Schlatter, 926 Lake Ave., on Tuesday afternoon, October 4, at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Wm. Crouse, Worship by Mrs. Muriel Wilson.

The Spice and Kepple Circles will hold a joint meeting on Wednesday morning at 9:00 A.M. at the new Associated Churches building, 6430 U.S. 24 West. Program will be given by Mrs. J. J. Farwell, Executive Secretary of Associated Churches. Worship by Mrs. Romane Cole, of Spice Circle.

The Dr. Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Cecil Rice, 1819 Kentucky Ave., on Wednesday, October 5th at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. W. Harry Imbody; Worship by Mrs. Kenneth Edwards.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Ben Taylor, 1616 Hollis Lane on Wednesday evening, October 5, at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Howard Overmyer; Worship by Mrs. Ralph Church.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Ethel Allen, 1320 Jackson St. on Thursday evening, October 6, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. R. E. Clipp; Worship by Mrs. Ernest Kattas.

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MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

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**"NOT FORSAKING
 the Assembling of
 Ourselves Together"**

Heb. 10:25

Your love for Christ is shown by your loyalty to His church, your regular attendance at all services.

CHRIST INVITES YOU

LOVE DEMANDS YOUR PRESENCE

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

September 25, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	375
Church School Attendance	350
Regular Church Offering	1028.68
Building Fund Offering	192.10
Church School Offering	94.23

Total Offerings\$1315.21

TEACH ME TO SERVE

Knowledge is power, for good or ill. Knowledge is never sterile nor neutro It lends itself to ends.

It is never enough to teach knowledge for the sake of knowledge alone. We must be taught knowledge, in order that we thereby may be better able to serve

Whom are we to serve on this earth but our fellow men? But to serve them we must know what is the good for them and to know what is the good, we must know both the nature of man and the Will of God for man.

Man is a created being. Someone shaped him. Only He who shaped him has the right and the knowledge to determine what is good for him. If man has shaped himself, then by exploring himself he could discover what might be the good for him. Just as only the designer or maker of an automobile knows the need of the automobile, so does God, the Creator, become the sole arbiter of man's good.

Before we can set out gallantly to serve our fellow men, therefore, we must proclaim the will of God. To let man himself issue the order for his own good is to bring all to confusion.

God knows your needs and mine and the needs of all men. Clearly, from His own Word, we learn that man's elemental need is to be restored to the fellowship and love of God Himself. Out from this towering need, we may go on to supply in love all the daily needs of all people.

O God, Thou who alone hast the right to teach, teach me to serve!

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# Loyalty Sunday

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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 6, 1960

Number 1

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Sunday, October 16th is CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY DAY. It is a day that will take all the commitment we can muster to reach our goal of \$1,500. This is the amount it takes to educate one graduate student for the ministry for one year.

What does it matter to you? Well somewhere a boy or girl is waiting for the opportunity to prepare for the ministry of Christ. Somewhere a church with a vacant pulpit is on the quest for a minister, an orphans home, or a home for the aged is looking for a chaplain; and somewhere there are millions who sit in darkness who await the coming of a missionary to lead them into the light of God. You, and your loved ones, are responsible unto God for meeting this crying need!

Would it make any difference to you and your loved ones, and to their world, if the African nations were all Christian nations? Would it matter if we as Christians had sent enough men and materials to make China Christian? The terror and tragedy which Red China and Red Africa holds for us could have been averted if the church in by-gone years had measured up to the challenge before it. Where our forefathers talked about spreading the gospel of Christ, we must see that deeds, not words, is the method for our time.

OUR response will help to determine the kind of a world in which you are really interested. Let's make no mistake — building a Christian world is a costly affair. Pennies and dimes will no longer do! We must commit our resources to the living God if we want a new world. No, it isn't the task of the government to spread the gospel of peace — it is the task of the Church, and it is the task of every man and woman, boy and girl, who dares to call himself a Christian. It will take 100 families giving \$15 to this cause to reach our goal. But there are many families who ought to be giving \$50 or \$100 or even more. If we fail — it may mean some church will be without a minister, some institution of mercy without a chaplain, some dark corner of earth without a missionary. Does it really matter? Does it really make any difference if YOU make a worthy contribution for this basic cause? ALL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SUCCESS OR FAILURE! Cast your ballot for Christ and the Church — make a substantial gift for the training of Christian leaders. October 16th!

MEN — REMEMBER: MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. Dr. Finkhausen, president of the Prayer Breakfast Group is looking for at least 25 men. The associate minister, Mr. Williams will bring the morning meditation on "Blueprint for Survival".

Sunday's Sermon: "LIFE'S THREE GREATEST DECISIONS"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving — October

ELDERS: October 9

Wm. Love — Walter Brkhold

DEACONS:

Captain — Jack Sweeney — K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack Brickley

Howard J. Howell

E. T. Fusselman

Romane Cole

Omer Guingrich

ohn Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon Johns

Elmer Darwachter

DEACONESS — October

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY — October

Mrs. Hugh Rice

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Miss Lulu Michael suffered a broken hip and is in Lutheran Hospital.

Charles Schnobel is a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 232.

Mrs. John Laymon is a patient in Parkview Hospital, Room 315.

Mrs. Curtis Harts is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 584.

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"Among all my patients in the second half of life . . . Everyone of them fell ill because he had lost what the living religions of every age have given their followers, and none of them has been really healed who did not regain his religious outlook." — By C. G. Jung, a famous psychiatrist who for more than 50 years has studied the human mind and emotions.

In his book, "The Yoke of Christ," Elton Trueblood says, "Only 4 per cent of those who are fourteen years of age or older deny all church connection. Ninety-six per cent claim to have a membership or to have been baptized or have some real affiliation with a church or synagogue." He goes on to state that on the surface this may sound good, but "what is disturbing is the realization how trivial the connection must be for millions of those thus reporting."

A recent cartoon showed fathers in their cars, lined up outside a church building waiting for Church School to end. Most of these men would undoubtedly list themselves, in any census, as being affiliated with the Church outside while they patiently wait each week.

The relationship of those who do possess their cars and go in is often as marginal as that of those who sit outside and wait. They decide each Sunday morning whether they will or will not share the instruction and worship periods of the Church — AN ODD DECISION ON THE PART OF A PERSON WHO IS A RECRUIT IN CHRIST'S CAUSE! Our membership is not the minority 4 per cent but logically enough the 96 per cent.

It is with this in mind that I make the statement, "CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!" Without it we are facing a day when we shall see all that we cherish, yet take for granted, slowly slip from our grasp. We really possess what we are being possessed by, and it is my prayer that the cause of the Church School will possess our attention and consequent loyalties. See you in Church School.

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CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL

SEMINARY DAY

OCTOBER 16

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October 2, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	17	1.50
Nursery Department	29	2.54
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	24	2.45
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	50	4.72
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	61	8.60
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Senior High Department	29	3.34
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	35	
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	9	2.00
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
'58" Class	29	12.45
E. Weicker		
Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
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Harold W. Crowder		
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Lugh D. Rice		
Carl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Immer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Kindly Class	18	2.95
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.50
Teachers	4	
TOTALS	419	\$109.35

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

DAY — OCTOBER 16

CHURCH SCHOOL GOALS

Men's Class	\$ 100.00
Ladies' Bible Class	20.00
Friendly Class	40.00
Progressive Class	100.00
Berean Class	150.00
Come-Double Class	100.00
'58 Class	95.00
College Class	10.00
High School Dept.	40.00
Junior High Dept.	15.00
Junior Dept.	25.00
Primary Dept.	10.00
Kindergarten	5.00
Nursery	4.00
Babies and Toddlers	2.00

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'58 CLASS

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF will have a party on Sunday, October 9, 7:30 P.M. at the home of Miss Sherry Cole, 7511 Rose Ann Lane. Those needing transportation, please call Bea Rice or Ellen Crowder.

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The members of the CYF wish to take this means to thank all those who had their cars washed by them. They earned \$45.00 on this project.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 2, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	389
Church School Attendance	415
Regular Church Offering	1067.65
Building Fund Offering	243.30
Church School Offering	109.07
Christian Theological Seminary	25.00

Total Offerings\$1445.02

NOTES

CMF RALLY — District One — Monday evening, OCTOBER 10, at 7:30 P.M. North Christian Church, Camden Drive, Fort Wayne. The Men are urged to come. Bring all CMF Officers and key-laymen.

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UNITED COUNCIL OF CHURCH WOMEN — Coffee Hour Wednesday, October 12 at 9:00 A.M. at Calvary Presbyterian Church, 1701 Capitol. Worship and business at 9:30 A.M. All Church women welcome!

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WORLD COMMUNITY DAY NOVEMBER 4, 1960

AFRICA EMERGENCY

Theme: "Christian Action for Freedom." Material Aid will be emphasized this year and will include: Medical Kits, Yarn and Yardage, Hospital gowns for children and surgical gowns.

Fort Wayne Council of United Church Women.

For further information you may call CWF Service Chairman, Mrs. Roland Ripple, H-02564.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. C. D. Palmer, 2625 No. Wells St., Monday evening, October 10 at 6:50 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Albert Egly; Program, Mrs. C. Palmer.

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Pearl Heidecker, 4001 Indiana Ave., Monday evening, October 10 at 8 P.M. Program by Miss Nancy Fay Woodhull and Miss Mildred Hutchinson; Worship by Miss Ethel Shroyer.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. W. J. Williams, 6710 S. Calhoun, on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Stanley Cole; Worship by Mr. Harold Nordblom.

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VISITATION BUILDS ATTENDANCE

When you visit, people respond . . . Your personal invitation gets results.

**CHRIST
DEPENDS
ON YOU**



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 13, 1960

Number 2

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

This week will see a great Church responding to a great challenge—undergirding the training of the ministry. We are going to raise \$1,500 for Christian Theological Seminary—the cost of educating one minister (or missionary) for one year. Since the college now has nearly 700 enrolled think what resources must be made available.

Remember, it is the Christian people and the churches that need ministers, chaplains, and missionaries. The Seminary is the Church at work training its own leadership. Every gift will be used to train a Christian leader for today's, as well as tomorrow's, Church. We have never before raised \$1,500 for a great missionary cause—but perhaps the need has never been so desperate, and the cause so dramatically seen. Africa is now the fertile battleground between Christ and Communism. We can sit back and think how awful the situation is today, or we can give, and work and pray for a Christian world. Would you speak to Africa about her choice? Would you like the opportunity to speak to India's teeming masses? Is there a message you would send to Japan? Then **HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY — HELP SEND A TRAINED LEADER TO THESE TROUBLED AREAS!**

A second item of interest is the formal installation of our associate minister, Brother John Williams. During the morning worship service this week we will install Brother John to the tasks of Christ in our Church. We will be having a great service of worship—let nothing keep you from this great service.

THE COFFEE BREAK—the Church's ministry often longs to be in ALL the homes of his people, but finds this an almost impossible task. We are beginning next week a program to reach all of our homes in a few months. We are dividing our membership into compact zones and then at some convenient time to the people of the zones we will be inviting the wives to a **COFFEE BREAK** where the women can ask any question they desire relative to the plans and programs and opportunities of service in the Church. It will also give the ministers an opportunity to explain their program and hopes and dreams for the Church. Perhaps you know of some family looking for a Church home. Why not invite some member of that home to the Coffee Break and then let them ask what the Christian Church believes and teaches, etc. **HERE IS A PLAN THAT OFFERS UNLIMITED POSSIBILITIES.** Where we can we will set up an evening meeting, and the husbands and wives will be invited to participate. Give us your suggestions as we go from zone to zone. Let's get the membership of our Church involved in the program of **FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**

Sunday's Sermon: "LEFT IN TRAGIC LONELINESS TO CHOOSE"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 9, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	11	1.50
Nursery Department	18	1.59
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	36	4.82
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	28	2.89
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	50	7.02
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	21	3.30
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	31	5.68
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	.35
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	33	17.75
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	37	17.15
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	19	9.50
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	31	14.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	21	5.20
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.50
Officers	3	
TOTALS	359	\$96.85

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINAR

DAY — OCTOBER 16

CHURCH SCHOOL GOAL

Men's Class	\$ 100.
Ladies' Bible Class	20.
Friendly Class	40.
Progressive Class	100.
Berean Class	150.
Come-Double Class	100.
'58 Class	95.
College Class	10.
High School Dept.	40.
Junior High Dept.	15.
Junior Dept.	25.
Primary Dept.	10.
Kindergarten	5.
Nursery	4.
Babies and Toddlers	2.

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TODAY'S FABLE

Once there was a little boy. When he was three weeks old his parents turned him over to a baby-sitter. When he was two, they dressed him up like a cowboy and gave him a gun. When he was three everybody said, "How cute," as he went about lisping a beer commercial jingle.

When he was six, his father occasionally dropped him off at Sunday School on his way to the golf course. When he was eight, they bought him a BB gun and taught him to shoot sparrows. He learned to shoot windshields by himself.

When he was ten, he spent his after-school time squatting at a drug store news stand reading comic books. His mother wasn't home and his father was busy.

When he was thirteen, he told his parents other boys stayed out as late as they wanted to—so they said he could, too. It was easier that way.

When he was sixteen, they gave him a deadly two-ton machine, wrangled license for him to drive it, and told him to be careful.

When he was seventeen, the police called his home one night and said, "We have your boy. He's in trouble."

"In trouble!" screamed the father. "He can't be my boy!"

But it was.

MORAL: As the twig is bent, it is apt to snap back in your face.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The General meeting of Christian Women's Fellowship will be held on Tuesday evening, October 18 at 8 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Mrs. George Wascovich and Mrs. Owen Vaught will bring a report from the World Convention at Edinburgh. Their informal talk will feature slide pictures of Edinburgh and of their travels to other parts of Europe.

The members of West Creighton Christian Church CWF will be guests of First Church ladies.

The worship will be brought by the Fellowship Guild and Montgomery Circle in charge of hospitality.

Any friends or members of First Christian Church are cordially invited to attend this meeting. Information and transportation can be arranged by calling Mrs. Harold Addison, H-79715, Mrs. Louis Culbertson, H-02194, or Mrs. Love, H-1615.

The Executive meeting will precede the general meeting at 7:15 P.M. in the Youth Room. Executive Officers and chairmen of circles are asked to be present for this business meeting.

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ANNUAL HARVEST INGATHERING

EMILY E. FLINN HOME

MARION, INDIANA

The CWF will make a trip to the Emily Flinn Home on Wednesday, October 19. They will leave the Church at 12 Noon.

Refreshments will be taken for the guests in the Home and Circles are asked to each furnish a large cake. These may be delivered to the Church on Wednesday morning or brought to the Tuesday evening meeting.

We wish to urge all the women to plan to make this trip. Those needing transportation please contact Mrs. Rolland Apple, Service Chairman, H-02564.

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REMINDER:

This is to remind members of CWF groups that the special offering for our missionaries of Africa will be received and dictated on next Tuesday evening.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers this Sunday are the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Egly for the occasion of their wedding anniversary.

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CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL

SEMINARY DAY

OCTOBER 16

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving — October

ELDERS: October 16

Hugh Rice — James Shockney

DEACONS:

Captain — Jack Sweeney — K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack Brickley

Howard J. Howell

E. T. Fusselman

Romane Cole

Omer Guingrich

John Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon Johns

Elmer Darwachter

DEACONESS — October

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY — October

Mrs. Hugh Rice

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF will meet next Sunday evening, October 16, at 5 o'clock at the Church. Rev. Wascovich will bring the message and will speak on the subject, "Catholicism and It's Beliefs".

All Youth of High School age are cordially invited to come and enjoy an evening of worship, inspiration and fun.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Charles Speicher and her family in the recent loss of her father, Mr. Ira A. Thompson.

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mr. Arthur Mowery is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 404.



**A CALL
FOR
*You***

**The invitation to attend
Sunday School is Personal,
Sincere, Direct.**

**YOU will find a place in these services.
FRIENDLY PEOPLE WELCOME YOU**

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October 9, 1960

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Church School Attendance	359
Regular Church Offering	1206.44
Building Fund Offering	318.06
Church School Offering	96.85
Christian Theological Seminary	110.00

Total Offerings\$1745.35

CHOIR

Adult Choir meets for rehearsal every
Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. All who en-
joy singing are welcome to join this group.

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"CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!"

Without it, civilization cannot hope to
survive. For if we gradually drift into
materialistic, secular society, it will not
long until the level of human existence
sinks to savagery. The secular educa-
tional processes have been telling our
young people how to get what they want
and the measure of success is self-evident.
Unless this material development is com-
plished by a resurgence of interest in
the age old question, "WHY AM I?",
it will profit us nothing to build another
Tower of Babel. The Christian approach
to the problem is not one of denying the
existence of materialism, nor is it a retreat
from reality into isolationism. The
Christian answer would give spiritual content
to our possessions and direct our
progress. This is the very heart and
essence of our faith. The message of
incarnation is not only that God has come
to live with man, but that man's struggle
for existence and survival can have meaning
only when it is linked with the Eternal.
"The Word became flesh and dwelt among
us" is not just an empty phrase; it is
forecast of the future when "as many as
received Him, to them gave He the power
to become sons of God." At 9:15 each
Lord's Day, our Church School offers an
opportunity for you to receive a Christian
Education. It is adaptable to every age.
You and your family are invited.

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'58 CLASS

The '58 Class project is to raise money
for future church projects. They are selling
Old Fashioned Butter-Bits for \$1.00 per
lb. This candy comes in 1-lb. decorative
cannisters with re-usable lids. They are
available from most of the Class members.

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CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY DAY
OCTOBER 16



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 20, 1960

Number 3

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

These are dramatic days when prayerful consideration must be given to a great number of grave decisions. The call of Christ comes to men of God in every age asking for their best efforts in His behalf. In the Elkhart Tidings the following list of TEN WANTED MEN appeared. May I call them GOD'S TEN MOST WANTED MEN:

1. The Man who puts God's business above any other business.
2. The Man who brings his children to church rather than sending them.
3. The Man who is willing to be the right example to every boy he meets.
4. The Man who thinks more of the church service than he does of his Sunday sleep.
5. The Man who measures his giving by what he has left rather than by the amount he gives.
6. The Man who goes to Church for Christ's sake rather than for himself or someone else.
7. The Man who has a passion to help rather than to be helped.
8. The Man who has a willing mind rather than a brilliant mind.
9. The Man who can see his own faults before he sees the faults of others.
10. The Man who is more concerned about winning souls for Christ than he is about worldly honor.

any — will you be one of God's Wanted Men?

MEN'S MEETING WITH MR. SIGRIST. The Christian Men's Fellowship will meet at the Church at 8:00 A.M. this Saturday morning for the trip to Mr. Sigris's lake home. If you care to fish and haven't found the right time or the right excuse so far — here is your opportunity! A fine lunch will be prepared and a grand time for all.

Sunday Morning's Sermon: "HOW TO LIVE IN A WARPED AND DISEASED WORLD"

NOTE OF TRIUMPH: Raised Sunday for Christian Theological Seminary \$1,275! Many more will want to share and help us reach the goal of \$1,500! It is the largest single offering for a missionary cause in our history! We are confident we will go over the top! "God bless you real good"!

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving — October

ELDERS: October 23

Robert Clipp — Dr. A. C. Worley

DEACONS:

Captain — Jack Sweeney — K-4898

James J. Cain

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The proceeds from the sale of this candy will be used by the Class for some special need in the Church.

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mr. S. Edw. Johnson, one of our fine new members, has been very ill, and is a patient in Lutheran hospital, Room 239.

Sgt. William Howard, is suffering with a broken leg, and is in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 217. Mr. Howard is the son of Mrs. Marion Favory.

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY DAY

	Goals	Offer
Men's Class	\$100.00	\$ 3
Ladies' Bible Class	20.00	1
Friendly Class	40.00	3
Progressive Class	100.00	18
Berean Class	150.00	18
Come-Double Class	100.00	11
'58 Class	85.00	8
College Class	10.00	2
High School Dept.	40.00	6
Junior High Dept.	15.00	3
Junior Dept.	25.00	9
Primary Dept.	10.00	29
Kindergarten	5.00	4
Nursery	4.00	2
Babies and Toddlers	2.00	2

\$705

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CHI RHO CORNER

October 16 — 13 members present, guest Offering \$1.45. Chi Rho's will meet this Sunday, October 23 at 5 P.M. at Church for recreation and worship. Shiley Naile is leader.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

The Come-Double Class are having Halloween Party in Pond Pavilion Franke Park on Saturday evening, Oct. 29th, 7:30 P.M. Red Howell guarantees good laugh for all. YOU ARE TO COME MASKED. Prizes will be given.

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DISTRICT ONE CONVENTION

The Christian Churches of District One will have their Convention at Kendaville Christian Church on Sunday afternoon, November 20. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

FILL YOUR LIFE

With Christ

He can make your days delightful,
fill your heart with peace and joy.

FIND CHRIST IN HIS HOLY SANCTUARY

The main mission field of the Church is within the Church, itself. The Church school and the Department of Christian education must take the initiative in this mission field of today. We must aim deliberately for the millions who think they need no conversion because they enjoy the "immunities of marginal membership."

If we do not undertake the proper action in time our faith in the Western world will become as meaningless as was the religion of Rome in the last days of the empire. The appearances continued, but the life was gone. If a mild and uncommitted faith becomes the standard, the result is utter failure, even if we build expensive Church buildings and occasionally have big crowds. **THE RELIGION OF EASY DEMANDS** leads directly to a future in which the power of the gospel is almost **WHOLLY LOST!**

A vivid illustration of conversion within the Church is that of a doctor of medicine in an Oregon city. When this doctor came out of the war and started his practice, he considered his religious affiliation and decided to follow the conventional pattern. He did not expect to take his Church membership seriously. He was, like almost everyone else, a Church Member and this he promised to remain! The matter of attendance he would leave to his wife and children. And, of course, he would make a token contribution. This is a pattern that is all too familiar.

BUT SOMETHING HAPPENED! He did some reading of current Christian books which began to arouse him out of his complacency about the Church. He became acquainted, through professional sources, with men who were committed singularly to the task of the Church. As a consequence he realized that the Church School and the other services of the Church do not exist to provide cheap baby sitting on Sundays. **THEY ARE INTENDED TO SHAKE THE WORLD**, not rock the cradle! This doctor is one of the best exponents of Christianity, not because he is able to fill the pulpit in the absence of the Minister, but because on the job, in the field he lets Christ live through him.

The Church School played a dynamic part in moving this man from "Marginal Membership" to committed service. Our Church School can do the same for you. Why not give it a chance each and every Sunday at 9:15 A.M.?

John W. Williams

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Babies & Toddlers	18	2.10
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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
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Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	42	29.47
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	51	9.98
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
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Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	24	3.79
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	28	6.64
James Naile, Teacher		
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Aaron Smith		
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Mrs. Ben Taylor		
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Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	44	185.50
Hugh D. Rice		
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Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	24	30.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	12.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	36.50
Officers	4	
TOTALS	413	\$705.92

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Church School Attendance	413
Regular Church Offering	891.03
Building Fund Offering	129.60
Church School Offering	705.92
Christian Theological Seminary	434.00

Total Offerings\$2160.50

OFFERINGS TO

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINAR

The offering toward our goal of \$1,
reached a new high last Sunday when
Church School gave \$705.92 and \$434
came in through the Church offering
this cause. With previous offerings
now have a total of \$1,274.92. The spec
offering will be held over this Sund
Those who have not had opportunity c
wish to do so may contribute to this v
worthy cause next Sunday morn
through the church offering.

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STORK NEWS

Diane Lorene came to live with
and Sandra Wittmer on October 13
Congratulations and best wishes to bc
and parents.

A little son was born to Mr. and M
Edw. Johnson last Sunday, October 18
We wish also to congratulate these f
young parents, and extend greetings
their son.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Mrs. Donald C. Smith and Miss Et
Shroyer gave the Chancel flowers t
week in loving memory of their mother

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CHOIR

Adult Choir meets for rehearsal eve
Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. All who en
singing are welcome to join this group

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The only worth while security is co
age;

The only worth while power is love,
Character and faith are the only thin
that count in the long run.

Roger W. Babson

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YOUR PASTOR'S WIFE

There is a member in your church .
who knows your pastor best . . . s
knows his weakness and his strength .
when faced by any test . . . The Chur
has seen him in his power . . . when sho
the holy Sword . . . when hearts we
warmed and destiny . . . was altered
the Lord . . . and yet she felt him trem
but . . . a little while before . . . wh
at his side she knelt with him . . . behi
a close-shut door . . . There is a wom
in your church . . . who knows yo
pastor's life . . . she's laughed with h
and wept with him . . . she is your pasto
wife!

—Lon Woodrum



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

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Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 27, 1960

Number 4

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Did you hear? Our offering for Christian Theological Seminary now totals \$1,403! This is backing up our beliefs with our treasure! This is LIFE-SERVICE and not mere SERVICE! A great university, graduate school of religion will thank you, and one student who will prepare for the ministry of the church will now have his chance. I personally thank you for again it indicates that this congregation will practice what it preaches! Thank God for every one of you! The treasurer of the Church will send our check for the full \$1,500! **Y O U** will preach from some pulpit, or minister some mission field of the world through your gifts — and you have reason to be proud!

JUST BRAGGING! Some seventeen of our men made the trip to see Mr. Sigrist, and what a wonderful afternoon it was! They fished, played bridge, visited as old fashioned friends used to do (and may I add, still ought to do!), ate "Deer Burgers", and all in all had a wonderful time. They even contributed \$9.50 for Christian Theological Seminary! (The food was for free — and the free-will offering given to missions). **THESE ARE MEN WHO ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR GREAT CHURCH!** Soon the Christian Men's Fellowship will have a "DEER AND DEAR NIGHT". Wives, better make sure you're still his "dear"!

SUNDAY MORNING'S SERMON THEME: "When the Heart Is Hungry"

Man has many hungers. The most important hungers of man are not met by physical food. He hungers for beauty, love, feeling of importance, and a feeling of security. As he becomes more sensitive, man's hurts and hungers become more acute. Does your heart know this terrible hunger for something beyond yourself? Come and talk with me about our hurts and hungers.

A STATEMENT OF FACT: I have been asked often about my position in the matter of religion in the election. I want it to be known that I have never, and will never say an unkind word about another man's faith or religion in my pulpit. I believe every man should worship God in the place and in the manner that makes God real to him. This will not be the same for everybody. But if religion means the linking of man with God then only that which brings man and God together is of vital importance.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 23, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	.50
Nursery Department	18	1.19
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	36	2.49
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	38	3.51
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	50	6.80
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	24	3.75
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	32	9.47
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	1	1.00
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	33	15.25
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	51	25.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	18	13.50
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	25	11.60
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	21	4.05
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	14	6.50
Officers	4	
TOTALS	383	\$101.16

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU HEARD

of the "Three R's" in education? Perhaps this phrase has a tendency to sound prosaic and old-fashioned. Man's need for education never ceases. Since the inception of civilization, education has taken place. Man has learned by precept or example. Education may have been primitive in both content and method, but the teaching and learning experience has continued since man's birth.

Modern educators are saying that the "Three R's" are not enough. They are contending that the "Fourth R" is essential, too. But here in America, we have maintained that this is not the responsibility of the public school system. This is the task of the Church, because God has divinely ordained that the Church should teach. In the Great Commission Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit **TEACHING** them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Matthew 28:18-20)

Unless we give a Christian content to our materialistic world, we cannot hope for anything better than dissatisfaction, disillusion and defeatism to permeate the society in which we live.

The Church of Jesus Christ exists in this world for the purpose of telling men that **this is God's world**. We do not own it — not even one little speck or particle. Through Christian Education, man must learn that it is the intention of God for man to use the material goods of this world in a way that will bring glory and honor to God and peace and good will among all of His children.

The purpose of Christian Education is to press for decisions. The hour we spend at study on Sunday morning should be used not just for the sake of gathering facts and arriving at theological conclusions. We should depart from the Church School Sessions determined that Christian principles, will be manifested in action.

In the First Century Church, that is what made the difference between success and defeat for the cause of Christ. In referring to Peter and John, the Book of Acts says "They took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus." It was not a high-powered-campaign nor a well-organized publicity stunt, but simple Christian living that provided the momentum for the Church.

A secular education is important. But a Christian Education is **more** important. The question is not, "Will my child and I learn?" but **what** will my child and I learn? Come to Church School each Sunday at 9:15 A.M. Learning is ever taking place. Let it be in the light of Christ!

John W. Williams

CHI RHO CORNER

October 23—Attendance 11

Offering \$1.08

October 30 — Worship leader, Roger Swift.

Program — Meet at 2:45 P.M. at our church for worship. We shall visit the Trinity English Lutheran Church, 405 W. Wayne St. for their Reformation Day Program at 4:00 P.M.

The Chi Rho's will have choir practice at the Church with the CYF group at 6:00.

On Friday night, October 28th, we will have a HAY RIDE at Bar-Q with a party afterwards at the Vanderwall's. Hay Ride \$1.00 per person.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

The Come-Double Class are having a Snowflake Party in Pond Pavilion at Snake Park on Saturday evening, October 27, 7:30 P.M. Red Howell guarantees a good laugh for all. YOU ARE TO COME UNASKED. Prizes will be given.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class members will meet with Mrs. Irene Kissinger, 1007 Northwood Ave., Friday evening, November 4 at 6 P.M.

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—Francis E. Clark

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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DEACONS:

Captain — Jack Sweeney — K-4898

James J. Cain

Jack Brickley

Howard J. Howell

E. T. Fusselman

Romane Cole

Omer Guingrich

John Hechler

Arza Smith

Leon Johns

Elmer Darwacher

DEACONESS — October

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY — October

Mrs. Hugh Rice

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NOVEMBER 20, 1960

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Sunday, October 30 is the close of the special enrollment period in the Church School. If you have not been enrolled in one of our fine classes, we will be happy to welcome you next Sunday.

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CHOIR

Adult Choir meets for rehearsal every Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. All who enjoy singing are welcome to join this group.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 23, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	365
Church School Attendance	383
Regular Church Offering	814.86
Building Fund Offering	183.60
Church School Offering	101.16
Christian Theological Seminary	118.50

Total Offerings\$1218.12

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY NOVEMBER 4

World Community Day will be observed on November 4th with a luncheon at 12:1 P.M. at St. John's E. & R. Church, Webster and Washington Sts. Price of the luncheon is \$1.00. Mrs. Ross Adair will be the speaker.

We hope a large number of women from First Christian will plan to attend this meeting. Phone your reservation for the luncheon to Mrs. Ripple, H-02564, or Mrs. Culbertson, H-02194 before November 1st. A Nursery will be provided for small children.

Groups or individuals who have not turned in their medical kits or surgical gowns, etc., for World Community Day project, please see that Mrs. Ripple has them before November 3rd. Thank you.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Scott, 1617 Edgewater Ave Tuesday, November 1, at 1 P.M. Program by Mrs. Muriel Wilson, Worship by Mrs. Wm. Caldwell.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Ogles, 304 E. Maple Grove Ave Wednesday morning, November 2, at 9 o'clock. Program by Mrs. A. N. Shockney. Worship by Mrs. John Hoop.

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The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Eural Rose, 3819 Hastings Rd., Wednesday morning, November 2, at 9 o'clock. Program by Mrs. R. S. Quinn, Worship by Mrs. H. P. Love.

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The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. C. R. McMaken, 3022 South Wayne Ave., Wednesday afternoon, November 2, at 1 P.M. Program by Mrs. Dale Parkerson, Worship by Mrs. Cecil Rice.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Hunt, 1721 Shamrock Rd., Wednesday, November 2, at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Geo. Wascovich, Worship by Mrs. Ben Taylor.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Roy Beal, 439 Violet Court on Thursday, November 3, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Irene Cline, Worship by Mrs. Chas. Fuchshuber.

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The School for Christian Living will begin Sunday evening, November 6. Study from 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. Our minister has a fine program prepared for this opening night. Refreshments will be served at 6:45 P.M.



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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Number 5

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends In Christ:

What a thrilling worship experience was ours at First Christian Church this past Sunday morning! Many have said they could feel the power and presence of God's spirit in our midst. I agree. What thrilling moments we let pass us by when we neglect the worship experiences of our Church! Won't you bring along some friends this Sunday? We know we can count on First Christian Church to do her part. I'm still deeply moved by your offering of \$1,500 for Christian Theological Seminary! You make me proud to be your minister.

By the way, don't any of you stay home because you feel that we will not miss "mere" member or a "mere" family. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A "MERE" ANYTHING! A lighted candle may be a so-called "mere" candle, and a barrel of gunpowder may be but a "mere" barrel of gunpowder — but if the two are ever brought into contact the result is not simply a barrel of gunpowder and a lighted candle — but a mighty release of power! When one family is dedicated to God, or when one member turns his life over to the control of God wonderful things have and continue to happen! You say you won't be missed because you are only one member, or only one family — don't you believe it! We will miss you, your Church will miss you, and God will miss you — and you will miss us all!

QUOTE OF THE AGES: Clement of Alexandria, gives us a beautiful saying of Jesus which is not found in our Gospels:

"The Lord did not say (Luke 16:9) "give", or "provide", or "benefit", or "aid", but "make a friend". And friendship springs, not from a single act of giving, but from unceasing kindness and from long intercourse."

It is most interesting to Christians of all times, that Jesus urged His followers to "make friends". Christian friendship is as natural as breathing. We cannot claim friendship with God and ignore our Father's other children! We must begin to neighbor for Christ, visit for Christ, make friends on behalf of Christ.

Sunday's Sermon Theme: "RELEASING LIFE'S IMPRISONED SPLENDOR"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The School for Christian Living will begin this next Sunday evening, November 6. During the study period, 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. our minister will tell of his trip to the World Convention in Edinburgh and show his pictures of the Convention.

We will enjoy fellowship and refreshment at 6:45 P.M. in Fellowship Hall.

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PLEASE NOTE I

The Church Office is often contacted by our members asking us to recommend some reliable person who might be secured as a baby sitter.

If there is any one in the church who is interested in this type of employment, we would be glad to place your name in our file and recommend you when such calls come in.

DEAR TEACHER —

TEN DANGERS FACING EVERY SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

1. The danger of supposing that Saturday night is as good a time as any prepare your Sunday School lesson
2. The danger of presuming that today's absentee will be back next Sunday anyway.
3. The danger of thinking you have to be a genius to be a successful teacher
4. The danger of assuming that NE pupils need not be contacted until they have been coming for several Sundays — or until they are absent for their first time.
5. The danger of supposing that the only incentive to winning a contest is the giving of prizes.
6. The danger of failing to provide weekly activities for your class.
7. The danger of presuming that success is an elusive phantom always just beyond the reach of all Church School workers.
8. The danger of failing to utilize to the fullest extent, all special days, Decision for Christ, Promotion Day, Mother's Day, Children's Day, etc., etc.
9. The danger of allowing your present scope of activities to catch up with your vision. (Read that one again.)
10. The danger of supposing that your job as a teacher ends when the bell rings. Actually a teacher's job **never** ends.

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There is no beautifier of the complexion or form, or behavior, like the wish to scatter joy and not pain around us.

—Emerson

STEWARDSHIP

is more than giving . . . it is serving Christ and living for his cause

CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance October 30 — 11

Offering — 41c

The Group will meet at the Church next Sunday from 4:30 to 5:30 P.M. for Worship and Recreation. Choir practice from 5:30 to 6 P.M. Games in the gym, sponsored by parents, from 6:00 to 6:30 P.M. The Chi Rho will sponsor a "Talent Show" in the near future.

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LADIES — PLEASE NOTE

The T.B. MOBILE X-RAY UNIT will be at our Church on Tuesday, November 15 from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. They will give a FREE Chest X-ray to those who desire it. We urge our women to take advantage of this offer. Those who handle food are required to have these Tests.

The free service of the T.B. Mobile X-ray Unit is financed through the sale of Tubercular Seals.

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Wm. Coblenz is confined to her home since she fell at her home and injured her hand and wrist.

Mr. Roy Finton is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

Mrs. Larry Sentman is seriously ill in Sandusky Memorial Hospital, Sandusky, Ohio. Mrs. Sentman has many friends in our Church. She and Mr. Sentman were active leaders in our congregation for many years before moving to Ohio.

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Babies & Toddlers	13	1.65
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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
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Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
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Junior High Department	24	3.72
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
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James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.46
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	36	20.75
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	40	18.98
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	18	9.06
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	32	15.22
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	20	3.96
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.50
Officers	4	
TOTALS	354	\$99.77

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Church School Attendance	354
Regular Church Offering	826.89
Building Fund Offering	817.91
Church School Offering	99.77
Christian Theological Seminary	46.50

Total Offerings\$1791.07

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Perkins, 241 E. Woodland Avenue, Tuesday evening, November 8 at 7 P.M. Program by Mrs. Wm. Wetzel, Devotions by Mrs. Aaron Smith.

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PUBLIC DINNER

The Christian Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a Public Dinner on Friday, November 11, from 5 to 7 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$1.35 per plate with ala carte service for children. The menu consists of Turkey and dressing, whipped potatoes and gravy, a vegetable and dessert.

DISTRICT ONE CONVENTION

NOVEMBER 20, 1960

District One Convention will be held Sunday afternoon and evening, November 20, at the First Christian Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Dr. John Harms, new Indiana State Executive Secretary is the guest speaker. Resource leaders are Mrs. Wm. Nicholas, Mr. Lyle Harvey and Mr. D. Brigham. Plan to be present. Our minister is chairman of Resolutions.

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If a man empties his purse into his hand, no man can take it away from him; an investment in knowledge always pays the best interest. —Benjamin Franklin

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The ballot is the symbol of citizenship; as the flag is the symbol of the country and like the flag it is worth no more than we make it.

—A. R. Wells



FIRST CHRISTIAN

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

I should like to thank nearly 500 of you who made Sunday morning such a deeply inspiring experience. The Choir sang one of my favorite numbers and Bob Cocherille sang one of my favorite solos, and then the congregation filled the sanctuary in spite of the first snow of the season. Yes, I want to thank you all for the special effort to make the beginning of our 5th year such a delightful experience. You are a great people and make up a great Church! I'm real proud to minister to such a wonderful group of people. May God bless the coming years to our continued growth together.

The School for Christian Living opened up this fall with the showing of the colored motion pictures Alma and I took in Europe this summer. We will continue by showing some of the lovely colored slides this coming Sunday evening. Fill your hearts and minds with every lovely thing possible. Great music, books, poetry, etc. and the beauty spots of the world can fill your lives with many memorable moments in the dreary days ahead.

Sunday's Sermon Theme: "The Rapture of Certainty". The times demand that Christian people everywhere have a deep certainty about the things of the kingdom of God. A lack of a vital faith may well be the tragedy that prostrates freedom's children before the dynamic paganism of our time. Let us all search deeply for the faith that can make ourselves and our world whole again.

The poet Yeats has pointed out that our world is out of joint:

"Things fall apart; the centre cannot hold;
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world,
The blood-rimmed tide is loosed, and everywhere
The ceremony of innocence is drowned;
The best lack all conviction, while the worst
Are full of passionate intensity."

"Where two or three are GATHERED in my Name, I will be in the midst of them."

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING PLEASE NOTE!

Due to the fact that the District Convention is being held in Kendallville on **November 20**, our **SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING** will not meet. However, we shall continue on Sunday evening, November 27 at 5:30 when our minister will bring a fine message.

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Next Sunday evening, November 13, Mr. Wascovich will show slides of the many wonderful places he visited this last summer. We look forward to seeing you at 5:30 P.M.

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We wish to express to Mrs. Walter Birkhold and Mrs. Olive Roy and their family our sincere sympathy in the recent loss of their sister.

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Also, our sincere sympathy goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Teeters and their family in the recent loss of their daughter, Mrs. Shirley DeWitt.

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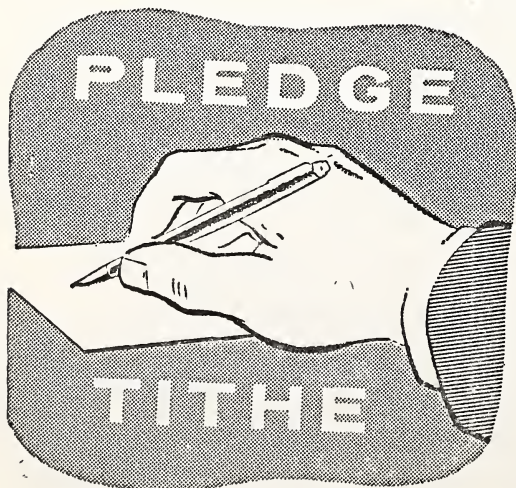
It is our prayer that God will comfort and sustain these fine folk in their hour of sorrow.

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CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday 12; Offer \$1.25. Worship last week by Margo Love. Worship leader this Sunday, Da Shockney. Chi Rho will meet at 4:30 worship and a discussion of the fi "Ready For Dating?" 5:30 Choir Practice 6:00 Recreation under supervision parents.

TALENT SHOW — You won't know C nie and John Merrill at the Talent Show. Come and find them at 7:30 P.M. December 3rd.

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team will practice the Church gym on Wednesday night each week at 7 P.M. The Junior Team will practice each week on Thursday evening at 7 P.M.

The Junior Team will play their first game of the season on Saturday, November 19 at 12:45 P.M. against the South Wayne Baptist Team.

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The High School team will play their first game on Monday, November 21, at 7:45 P.M. against South Wayne Baptist Team.

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A good newspaper and Bible in every home, a good schoolhouse in every district, and a Church in every neighborhood, all appreciated they deserve, are the chief supports of virtue, civil liberty and religion.

—Benjamin Franklin

THEY WERE EXPENDABLE!

HE WAS EXPENDABLE!

HOW ABOUT YOU?

Soon after World War II a book was written by Will White entitled "They Were expendable."

The story was that of the exploits and sacrifices of the men on six P.T. boats stationed in the Philippines. A P.T. boat was a very small craft constructed of plywood, powered by high speed engines and capable of remarkable speed and maneuverability. They had no protecting steel armor plate and were as sinkable as a cracker box. Six boats with a crew of ten men went out. Every boat was destroyed and only four of the 72 crewmen survived. These men, like materials, gasoline and ammunition and other supplies in war, were expendable.

Jesus held Himself expendable for a great cause, the salvation of the world. When Peter would have turned Him aside from His purpose to return to Jerusalem and there be crucified, Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Get behind me, Satan."

The purpose of Christian Education is to teach and inspire men to be so committed to the cause of Christ, that all things will be considered expendable. Perhaps we tend to "compartmentalize" our Christianity and make it relevant only to a small portion of life, say for instance, money, talents and treasures. Important though these may be, they are only stepping stones to the larger commitment that Christ wishes to see expressed in His followers. **TOTAL COMMITMENT OF THE TOTAL MAN** into the mainstream of **THE TOTAL PROGRAM OF THE KINGDOM** is the objective of Christian Education. It is through Christian Education that we make our commitment **INTELLIGENTLY**.

Expendability is the burning, blazing white focus of the spotlight of the meaning of our Christian religion. We admire expendability in the Christian martyrs; we admire it in Jesus Christ as He died on the cross for us; we admire it in the history of the Christian religion, in its spread around the world; we admire it in war when men die for each other and for their nation.

Let us accept the principle of expendability when our Church, our nation and our entire way of life is vitally involved. With this thought in mind, do you and your family need an invitation to worship and study this and every Sunday morning at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M.? See you then!

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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Babies & Toddlers	16	1.50
Nursery Department	20	1.65
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	37	4.48
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	38	4.81
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	59	8.86
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	23	
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	30	5.44
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.85
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
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J. E. Weicker		
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Richard Block		
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Harold W. Crowder		
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Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 6, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	455
Church School Attendance	363
Regular Church Offering	1242.42
Building Fund Offering	265.35
Church School Offering	119.63
Christian Theological Seminary	10.00
Total Offerings	\$1627.40

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Members of all the Circles and women of the Church are invited to attend the Luncheon on Tuesday, November 15, preceding the General meeting of Christian Women's Fellowship. The Luncheon will be served at 12:30 P.M. members of the Kepple and Dye Circles. Reservations should be phoned to Church office, H-6222; to Mrs. H. G. Imuth, E-3094; or Mrs. Lois McFarland K-8374, by Saturday, November 12. Price \$1.00.

The Executive will meet for business at 1:15 in the Chapel and the General meeting will follow at 2 P.M., in the Church Parlor.

Worship will be given by members of the McGavran Circle and Mrs. Harriet Addison is in charge of the program.

Anyone in need of transportation may call Mrs. Addison, H-79715; Mrs. Culbertson, H-02194; or Mrs. Wm. Love, H-1611.

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LADIES — PLEASE NOTE

The T.B. MOBILE X-RAY UNIT will be at our Church on Tuesday, November 11, from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. They will give FREE Chest X-ray to those who desire it. We urge our women to take advantage of this offer. Those who handle food are required to have these Tests.

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PUBLIC DINNER

The Christian Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a Public Dinner on Friday, November 11, from 5 to 7 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$1.35 per plate with ala carte service for children. The menu consists of Turkey and dressing, whipped potatoes and gravy, a vegetable and dessert.

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MEMBERS — PLEASE NOTE I

If you have, in the past six months, so, left pans, pots, dishes, or, coats, gloves, purses, etc., at the Church, will you please pick them up before December 1st. No article not taken away before that date will be sent to the rummage sale. So of these articles are favorites of theirs, so please get them before December 1st.

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DISTRICT ONE CONVENTION NOVEMBER 20, 1960

First Church of Christ, Kendallville
Theme — "Africa"

Mr. Walter Cardwell, missionary from the Congo, will speak on, and show slides of Africa, at the afternoon session. John Harms new Executive Secretary, Indiana, will be the speaker of the evening. Dinners will be served to women and Youth for \$1.00 and for Men for \$1.50. Reservations should be made by the 16th. Please call the office. We urge a good attendance from this church.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Let your minister say a hearty "God Bless you" to this great congregation. What wonderful singing by choir, quartet, and CONGREGATION! What a sight to see a led House of Worship! God bless you and keep you ever faithful to our Friend and companion, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dates To Remember

Sunday afternoon—2:00 P.M. District Convention to be held at Kendallville. Program will include discussions of Men's and Women's work for the Decade of Decision. Rev. Walter Cardwell, former missionary to the Congo will be the featured speaker of the convention. Plan now to attend. The evening meal will be included in the registration fee of \$1.00 for women and youth, and \$1.50 for the men! THAT'S CORRECT — registration fee and dinner for that price!

Thanksgiving Day Service

At 8:00 A.M. on Thanksgiving Day our church will gather in prayer and praise and thanks—giving unto God! Bring the entire family to this hour of THANKSGIVING. Start this wonderful day with GOD, your home, and family and friends, will be richer for it.

Sunday's Sermon Theme: "A TIME FOR GREATNESS". Marginal membership in the Body of Christ invites disaster from the forces seeking to destroy us. The time is ripe on the calendar of God! Recently I read the troubled passage in Jeremiah the 18th chapter. Remember these words: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved,"? Most of us really believe that our times demand deeper commitment than most of us have been giving to The Lord and His church. Let's think together about it this coming Sunday morning.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

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ELDERS: November 20

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DEACONS:

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DEACONESS — November

Mrs. Myron Cole

HOSPITALITY — November

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

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BEREAN CLASS

The Bereans are having a carry-in dinner November 19 at 7 P.M. at the Westfields, 4039 Westlane Drive. Members are asked to bring their table service and a pillow.

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RUMMAGE SALE

The Christian Women's Fellowship will sponsor a Rummage Sale on Saturday, December 3, at 2028 So. Hanna St. Please bring your rummage to the room after 7 P.M. on Friday or to the Church sometime between this date and December 2nd.

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team will practice at the Church gym on Wednesday night each week at 7 P.M. The Junior Team will practice each week on Thursday evening at 7 P.M.

The Junior Team will play their first game of the season on Saturday, November 19 at 12:45 P.M. against the South Wayne Baptist Team.

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The High School team will play their first game on Monday, November 21, at 7:45 P.M. against South Wayne Baptist Team.

There were 13 Chi Rhos in attendance last Sunday evening with an offering of 82¢. On Sunday evening, November 19, we will not have a meeting of Chi Rhos.

TALENT NIGHT

Who are going to play the piano, electric guitar and sax in the Chi Rho Talent Show? December 3, 7:30 — Come and see.

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CLOTHING DRIVE FOR OVERSEAS RELIEF

Please bring your good clean used clothing to the Church by December 3 for the clothing drive. There will be a container in Fellowship Hall to receive them. Check your closets and bring your children's outgrown clothing, old blankets and any other suitable clothing you plan to discard. These will be packed and sent overseas for the many who are in need. You may wish to pay the 8¢ per pound postage required.

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OLD MAGAZINES

The Spice Circle will appreciate it if you will gather up your old magazines and give them to one of their members to Mrs. Gene Klepfer, or to Mrs. Addison.

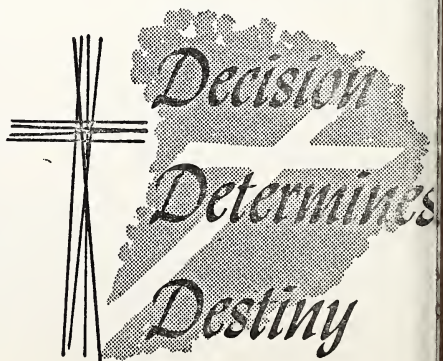
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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING PLEASE NOTE!

Due to the fact that the District Convention is being held in Kendallville on **November 20**, our **SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING** will not meet. However, we shall continue on Sunday evening, November 27 at 5:30 when our minister will bring a fine message.

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TIDINGS GOES TO PRESS MONDAY
NEXT WEEK — NOVEMBER 21.



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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
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Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
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en's Class	14	6.30
fficers	7	
TOTALS	393	\$109.94

HOW FOOLISH CAN WE REALLY GET?

From the words of Communist leaders, we of the free world, have been warned over and over again what to expect from them. Only the simple and the naive think that the missionary zeal and enthusiasm of dialectical materialism has spent itself and its force. Are we going to be lulled to sleep by their stock phrases, designed to produce just such effects in our society?

"Peaceful coexistence" means one thing to us and another to them. For us it means a permanent way of life in which we are willing to extend to all the right of self-determination, even if they choose Communism. But to them it means only a breathing spell in which the forces of materialism catch their breath and prepare for open conflict. Dr. Elton Trueblood, in his book, "Declaration of Freedom," says "Peaceful coexistence may be the least evil of contemporary possibilities and it may be the necessary present means to a better end, **BUT AS A PERMANENT CONDITION IT IS TRULY INTOLERABLE.**"

Life on this little planet will be seriously imperiled, if, in 50 years, our children and grandchildren are still peering across curtains, rejoicing in defections and watching for opportunities to discredit the other half of the world.

Among the possible alternatives are (1) a communist victory (2) open war (3) the penetration of all the world by the dream of a society that is both just and free. This last alternative is not an idle dream, but the only practicable alternative to a continuing nightmare.

The Church of Jesus Christ must see itself and its mission in the light of total commitment. The field is the world, not just one segment. God has promised victory if we engage in the conflict. The only way we can lose is through **DE-FAULT**. The only Church that stands without any scars or signs of battle is the Church that has chosen to lose by forfeiting the conflict.

Rekindle the zeal and enthusiasm for the cause of Christ by attending Church School and Worship next Sunday. Remember, Christian Education is the hope of the world.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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TALENT NIGHT — December 3, 7:30

Everybody's going to Fellowship Hall to see the Chi Rho sponsored Talent Show, are you?

Mr. & Mrs. James Naile
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 13, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	451
Church School Attendance	393
Regular Church Offering	1110.46
Building Fund Offering	198.35
Church School Offering	109.94

Total Offerings\$1448.75

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers this week are a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cocherille celebration of their wedding anniversary

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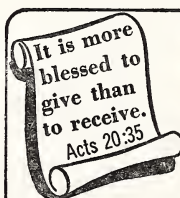
THE MEETING

(It is told someone said to Whittier God could be best worshipped in Nature woods and fields. This poem was part Whittier's answer.)

"Dream not, O Friend, because I seek
 This quiet shelter twice a week,
 I better deem its pine-laid floor
 Than breezy hill or sea-sung shore;
 But nature is not solitude;
 She crowds us with her thronging wood
 Her many hands reach out to us,
 Her many tongues are garrulous.
 She will not leave our senses still,
 But drags them captive at her will;
 And, making earth too great for Heaven
 She hides the Giver in the given.
 "And so, I find it well to come
 For deeper rest to this still room,
 For here the habit of the soul
 Feels less the outer world's control.
 And from the silence multiplied
 By these still forms on either side,
 The world that time and sense have
 known
 Falls off and leaves us God alone."

—John Greenleaf Whittier

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THE LAW OF LOVE

The principle of tithing is as old as sacred or profane history. It was levied by kings in earliest times, practiced by Abram, commanded by God on Mt. Sinai, endorsed by Jesus, and has been observed by Christians since the days of Paul.

Today we pay tithes to a Living Christ, who gave His life that we might have Life Everlasting.





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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Sunday morning is Commitment Sunday in the life of our great Church. As a people of God we shall commit our lives, their influence and treasure, unto Christ. This is truly a time for greatness! We should eagerly lay our all upon the altar of God. His keeping our hopes and dreams shall find fulfillment. Come prepared to say unto God, "Here am I, O Lord, use me!"

Did you ever see such a chancel choir — some 60 to 70 voices blended in such sweet harmony. The Festival Choir sang, "Onward Christian Soldiers" as I've never heard it sung before! God bless the loyalty of our choir members.

The District Convention in Kendallville was a great success. First Christian Church had by far the largest delegation there. Mr. Hugh Rice was elected the president of the District for the coming year. We will be the hosts for next year's district meeting. We shall look forward to another exciting fellowship meeting with our brethren in this area.

November has been one of the busiest months of my ministry. I had the real pleasure and privilege of speaking at the Johnson Bible College Rally in Indianapolis, the P. T. A. meetings at Price School and Abbott School, then I spoke at the annual meeting of the principals and administrators of the schools of Allen County, and on December 1st and 2nd must be in St. Louis where I will share in the conference of the Home and State Missions Planning Council (National planning body of the Brotherhood). I also spoke to the Adult Bible Class of the First Mennonite Church of Berne at a dinner meeting, and to the Indiana Tech conference on Career planning.

To the above items One other must be added — I had to go to Camp Barbee for a day and as Chairman of the Camp Committee, supervise the closing of the books on the finest camp year we have ever had! Our area camp is one of the finest in the country and has operated in the profit column for some years! — This was also a symposium meeting — so the running around helps combat the added weight from so many extra fine meals!

Our parish meetings are under way. Friday evening, Nov. 18th we met at the Red Smells. It was our third parish meeting, and a wonderful meeting it was. Great things are going to grow out of these meetings. We appreciate all who shared in making them creative and constructive.

SERMON: "THE MAN I MEAN TO BE"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 20, 1960

WOULD YOU REALLY LIKE TO BE LIKE JESUS?

The objective of the Church is to transform men and women into the likeness of Christ. The Apostle Paul said, "Have the mind in you which was in Christ." That! To be like Christ is not only conforming our outward actions to give the appearance of being "one of His," but involves the deeper processes of mental and spiritual cultivation and devotion.

The pathway to the goal of achieving Christlikeness is not an easy one. When ever said it was? Jesus referred to His way of life as the way of the cross, symbolizing hardship and difficulty for those who elected to follow Him. Of course there were to be rewards, but they were to be primarily spiritual in nature. The spiritual nature of man, his distinguishing difference between himself and the beasts of the field, could never be satisfied by mere material gains. If spiritual hunger could be satisfied with an abundance of material possessions, then man is kidding himself by trying to impose upon himself a higher moral order revealed in Jesus Christ. The plain truth is that Jesus Christ and His way of life are not the superficialities and ornaments of life. Choosing Him means choosing the bare minimum essentials that provide enduring happiness.

When James A. Garfield, who afterward became President of the United States, was president of Hiram College, in Ohio, a man brought his son for entrance as a student, for whom he desired a shorter course than the regular one. "The boy will never take all that in," the father said. "He wants to get through by a shorter route. Can you arrange it?" "Oh, yes," replied the president of Hiram College. "I can arrange it. Your son can take the shorter course. It all depends on what you want to make out of him. When Garfield wants to make an oak, he takes a hundred years; but when he wants to make a squash he requires only two months."

Making one's life over after the image of Jesus Christ is not done in a quick and easy manner. It takes a life time of commitment. The Church School and the Service of Worship will certainly give you the guidance and assistance in your quest for Christlikeness. **DO YOU REALLY WANT TO BE LIKE HIM?** See you there at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M. next Sunday.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Roy Finton and her family in the recent loss of husband and father, Roy Finton, who passed away November 16th.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

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CHI RHO CORNER

Eleven Chi Rhos attended the District Convention at Kendallville last Sunday evening and sang with the combined Youth Choirs of the Churches in the District.

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The Chi Rho young people will meet at 3:00 P.M. next Sunday at the Church and will go for a tour of the new Associated Churches building. Mrs. J. J. Farwell, Executive Secretary of the Association will be the guest speaker. Pat Casey is worship leader.

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TALENT NIGHT

Talent Night will be on Saturday evening, December 3rd in Fellowship Hall at the Church. What is Marvin Crouse doing in the Chi Rho Talent Show? Come and see!

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COME-DOUBLE CLASS PARTY

The Come-Double Class will have a Christmas party at 6:00 P.M. Saturday, December 10th. This will be a carry-in dinner party and members will enjoy a Christmas gift exchange. Parents are requested to bring a gift for each child in the family, gift-wrapped and marked with the child's name. You will not want to miss this party of fun and frolic.

COME YE

Thankful People

LET US SHOW GRATITUDE

For bounteous blessings
of health, wealth, and happiness;

For freedom of worship
in the security of a great land;

For the Love of God
in whom we have Life Eternal.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 20, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	427
Church School Attendance	381
Regular Church Offering	741.48
Building Fund Offering	144.75
Church School Offering	178.56
Thanksgiving Offering	160.50

Total Offerings\$1225.29

NOTES

Dr. Elton Trueblood, Professor of Phi-
losophy at Earlham College, Richmo-
Indiana, will address a public meeting
the First Presbyterian Church, 300 W
Wayne St., on Sunday, November 27,
3:00 P.M. His subject will be, "The
Meaning of Involvement". Dr. Trueblood
will appear on WANE-TV Saturday, No-
vember 3 at 5:00 P.M. The name of the
program is "Cross Exam".

Dr. D. Elton Trueblood is the found-
er of the Yokefellow movement which has
taken deep root in our own city of Fort
Wayne. This movement has affected the
church life of our city and surround-
ing area in many ways, through prayer cen-
ters, through study groups, and through qu-
adrants.

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CLOTHING DRIVE FOR OVERSEAS RELIEF

Please bring your good clean used
clothing to the Church by December 1
for the clothing drive. There will be a
container in Fellowship Hall to receive
them. Check your closets and bring your
children's outgrown clothing, old blank-
ets and any other suitable clothing you
wish to discard. These will be packed and
sent overseas for the many who are in ne-
ed. You may wish to pay the 8¢ per pound
postage required.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will have their Christ-
mas party on Friday evening, Decem-
ber 2, at the home of Mrs. Robert Scott, 1
Edgewater Ave. There will be a Christmas
gift exchange.

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BASKETBALL

The High School Team will practice in
the Church gym on Wednesday night each
week at 7 P.M. The Junior Team will
practice each week on Thursday evening
at 7 P.M.

DECIDE NOW

- ☐ to be an active member
- ☐ to serve in the church
- ☐ to support the church
- ☐ to grow in Christian

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Number 9

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Someone almost had to stand Sunday during worship services, didn't they? It was a wonderful experience to greet that great congregation last Sunday morning. We are hoping to overflow our seating capacity this Sunday. But one problem arose out of this great congregation — **WE NEED MORE BEDS IN OUR NURSERY.** Three families came with small infants and since there wasn't a vacant bed to be found in the nursery they went back home. Great day in the morning — let's not let that happen again! If anyone has a crib they'd like to have removed from their attic or basement, nursery for that matter — please let us know!

Sunday morning our guest preacher will be: Dr. T. W. Nakarai. The first Sunday in December is kept as Woman's Day. It is our custom to have a guest speaker and usually he emphasizes missions. Dr. Nakarai has agreed to use as his sermon theme: **"EY CONVERSION"**. He is a product of Christian missions in his native country of Japan. I am certain you will thrill to the humble witness of this truly devout Christian minister.

C. Y. F. AND ROLE PLAYING

Mr. Wascovich has postponed until the 8th of January the beginning of the Role Playing series. The reason is that the 11th and 18th of December will see our choirs beginning the evening series, and there will be no School of Christian Living on December 11th nor on January 1st. It would mean that after the first session we would then have to wait for 5 weeks to continue series. We want at least 4 or 5 lessons in this series without a break, so we will postpone the beginning until January 8th.

Board meeting will be held on December 13. The Budget Committee will present at that time the proposed new budget for 1961, and the nominating committee will present its recommendations. This will be a most important meeting and all members of the Board are urged to attend.

Begin now to place some orphan or one of our aged on your Christmas gift list. Our great Church seeks to raise \$1,000 for Benevolence on Christmas. This is used for care for the orphans in the Cleveland Children's Home and in the Emily Flynn home for the aged. Put them at the top of your gift list today!

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE
Officers Serving in December

ELDERS: December 4

Walter Birkhold — Glenn Miller

DEACONS: For December

Captain — Ralph E. Church, K-7398

Paul D. Truby
LeRoy Timbrook
Edwin R. Hall
James H. Naile
Wm. E. Franklin
Berton Purdy
Wm. P. Vunora
W. Harry Imboby
James Heavin
Rufus Quinn
Earl Plummer

DEACONESS — December

Mrs. Jefferson Young

HOSPITALITY — December

Mrs. Glenn Miller

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IN MEMORIAM

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Charles Dilts and her family in the recent loss of husband, and father Brother Dilts, in years past, was one of our fine teachers of young people in the Church School and a faithful Elder in the Church.

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We also extend to Mrs. Irene Cline our heartfelt sympathy in the recent loss of her dear mother. It is our prayer that these fine folk will be sustained and comforted in their time of sadness.



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"see that ye abound in this
grace..." 2 Cor. 8:7

FIRST
**HONOR GOD
WITH THE TITHE**

CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday 7; Offering 6.

This Sunday's worship leader will be Marlo Vanderwall. The Chi Rho's are to meet at the church for recreation, worship and choir.

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Jo Jefferies Dancers! Presentation by Berean Class! Where? At the Chi Rho sponsored TALENT SHOW Saturday evening, December 3 at 7:30 in Fellowship Hall of the Church. A free will offering will be taken. THE NURSERY WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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OFFICIAL BOARD

The December meeting of the Official Board is being postponed until December 13. You will receive your notice in the mail.

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A good friend of mine was once drilled for oil in the State of Louisiana. When his source of finances finally ran dry, his man and his friend decided to sell the rights and the pipe that had gone into the ground. My friend told me that the new buyer drilled only three feet deeper.

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and struck oil. After this experience Bill decided that he would never quit drilling until 'he had gone three feet deeper.' By using this rule, he became a successful oil man.

Perhaps this is the answer that we need in the Christian world today. There never has been a movement on the face of the earth that possessed better ideals and ethics. Yet in spite of the fact that much of the world has had the message of Christ broadcast over it, we continue to live in a world where evil seems to be rampant. What is the reason for all of this? What is the solution? Where do we begin?

I believe that much of this situation can be attributed to the fact that we respond to the call of Christ for purely selfish motives based on fear. The marginal membership that many of us enjoy is simply a convenience, soothing the surface of our troubled souls. In the early days of our Brotherhood, the evangelists elected to call this "fire-escape religion" that was supposed to provide man with an asbestos-lined coffin. Or maybe the statement of commitment means nothing at all. Perhaps this is just one way "of getting rid of those pesky people" who are always nagging about the church. We join and they leave us alone, "I do they?" Or, on the other hand, we had no idea what was involved in becoming a follower of Christ. This last category might fit more, because, really, we have no idea what our faith might require of us. It would be wise to prepare ourselves for anything for the cause of Christ.

The solution is to be found in dedicated and committed Christians. To really be dedicated, we must have a divine encounter with God. Our faith cannot be based upon some second-handed revelation, nor upon some far-fetched fairy tale about religion. Unless we have this experience in a personal way, our faith will be weak and shaky. When our faith is real and dynamic, we seek to share it through Christian fellowship and witnessing. The magnetic power of the Saviour works through us.

Now where do we begin? Not with the other fellow! Don't wait for some one else. The call of Christ today is for you to be the man, woman, boy or girl that He wants you to be. Start with yourself where you are. Do what you can with what you have. For unless we do begin to redeem individuals, we can never hope to save the world. After you have made your beginning, seek to deepen your commitment through prayer, Bible study, work, attendance at Church and Church School. See you Sunday at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 27, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	20	170
Nursery Department	14	1.65
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	27	3.63
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	39	4.89
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	43	6.61
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Junior High Department	24	3.55
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	19	3.28
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	9	2.51
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	32	17.26
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	42	18.90
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	11	5.52
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	31	16.10
Hugh D. Rice		
Earl Plummer		
A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Truby		
Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	21	4.45
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	5.75
Officers	2	
TOTALS	350	\$96.80

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 27, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	426
Church School Attendance	350
Regular Church Offering	778.18
Building Fund Offering	282.50
Church School Offering	96.80
Thanksgiving Offering	75.50

Total Offerings\$1232.98

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Paul Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St., Thursday evening, December 1st at 7:45 P.M. Program will be given by Mrs. Roy Beck. Worship by Mrs. Robert Clipp.

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Neil Allen, 4631 Thornley Drive, Tuesday afternoon, December 6, at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Robert Scott, Worship by Mrs. Merland Heller.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. Rolland Ripple, 3405 Central Drive, Wednesday morning at 9:00 A.M. December Program by Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau. Worship by Mrs. A. N. Shockney.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Eugene Tassler, 3920 Winter St., Wednesday morning, December 7, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Eural Rose, Worship by Mrs. Wm. Ganter.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mr. Max Finkhausen, 5027 Decatur Rd. Wednesday evening, December 7, at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Elliott Bragg, Worship by Mrs. Finkhausen.

The Dye Circle will meet at the new office of the Fort Wayne Associated Churches, 6430 U.S. Highway No. 24 West on Wednesday afternoon, December 7, 1:00 P.M. Mrs. J. J. Farwell, Executive Secretary of the Associated Churches will give the program.

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— WOMAN'S DAY —

December 4th, 1960

The Christian Women's Fellowship will be sponsor to the annual Women's Day program which will be held Sunday morning, December 4 at 10:30 A.M. at the morning worship hour. Dr. Toyozo Nakarai, Department of Old Testament, Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, will bring the message of the morning, the subject: "My Conversion". We urge all members and friends of the church to make a special effort to be present and hear Dr. Nakarai.



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Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, December 8, 1960

Number 10

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Once more merriment is invading our saddened world and gladness and singing invades our listless days! It is the Christmas season and God comes close to His children at this special time of the year. No other time of the year has such magic as Christmas! Staid folks become suddenly stealthy, and there are odd silences and whispered conspiracies in the family. Old friends look at us askance, as if they were hiding some guilty secret! Even sensible people, touched by some heavenly spirit, do things divinely foolish — learning, for a time at least, how silly we often are when we think we are wise, and mingle in its glee, memory blending with hope. For a brief time life moves with the lilt and lift of a lyric, and we take a glad vacation from ourselves. Thank God for Christmas!

Remember December 11th my sermon theme will be: "The Christmas Spirit and our World." The School for Christian Living on the 11th will be the night of the special program featuring music and carols and candles with our young people.

December 18th — Sermon Theme: "The Desire of All Nations".

Evening Service: The Adult Choirs.

Also — OFFERING FOR BENEVOLENCE: \$1,000.

\$500 for The Cleveland Children's Home.

\$500 for the Emily Flynn Home for the Aged.

24th — Candlelight Communion Service.

December 25th — Sermon Theme: "God's Gift To You".

Special Service of Dedication of our Babies During Morning Worship.

(No Evening Service).

I saw a sign in a downtown window the other day which read: "Christmas is for children". Is it? No, a thousand times no! That philosophy is sheer nonsense! The greatest minds, the most mature souls, have not fully grasped the mystery of Christmas! For Children? No — for seeking Souls of spiritual insight!

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December 4, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	1.75
Nursery Department	21	.84
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	38	4.96
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	34	4.03
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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Mr. William Franklin		
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High School Department	24	4.24
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College Class	2	.85
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
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J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	40	21.65
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
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Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	26	11.22
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	37	21.25
Hugh D. Rice		
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A. J. Young		
Elmer Darwacher		
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Rufus Quinn		
Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	22	3.75
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	3.75
Officers	4	
TOTALS	378	\$121.14

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1960 IS U

VERSAL BIBLE SUNDAY. Plan now to serve this significant event in Church School and Worship next Sunday. We are asking **EVERYONE TO BRING HIS BIBLE TO CHURCH AND CHURCH SCHOOL.** It is a good thing to see "Bible People" walking into the building with a Bible in the hand. **IF YOU HAVE AN OLD, UNIQUE COPY OF THE BIBLE,** it would be appreciated if you would bring it to display it on the table so designated in the Social Hall during the Coffee and Fellowship Hour. It will be interesting to the entire congregation.

The Time Capsule was the most widely publicized stunt of the New York World Fair in 1939. It was an eight-hundred-pound torpedo-shaped shell that the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company dreamed up and buried in Long Island to be dug up five thousand years later. A host of miscellaneous modern articles were put into it: A Lily Dache hat, golf balls, and approximately one million words of microfilmed printed matter. Beside the published index of the contents of the Capsule, only one full-sized book went into it — the Bible. When Dr. Francis C. Stiffler, an American Bible Society secretary, called on the assistant to the President of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company to tell him why the Bible had been placed in the Time Capsule, this is what Mr. Peck dray said: "The Holy Bible, of all books familiar to us today, will most likely survive through the ages. Therefore, the Bible that we placed in the Time Capsule will be sort of connecting link between the past, present, and future."

In the Christian faith, we can attest to this fact. More so we can testify that the Bible is the connecting link between man's frailty in this life and man's strength in eternal life. Certainly the Bible is essential as a textbook for worthwhile living. But even more, it is the means of man's redemption. It is "our only rule of faith and practice."

But the Bible becomes a mere ornament, a decorative piece, if we reverence it only without learning the message and living it. Come to Church and Church School and learn more from this Book of books.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday was 11, the offering 65¢. This Sunday we will meet at the church at 4:30 for showing of film, discussion of the film, and worship. Diana Nordblom is Worship leader.

Chi Rho's will participate in the School for Christian Living Sunday evening at 5:30.

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TALENT SHOW

The Chi Rho's and their sponsor wish to thank all who had a part in making the Show a success. Not counting the fun, the free will offering was \$44.29.

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'58 CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmastime '58 Class party will be Sunday night, December 11, at the Musician's Union Building, Lafayette St. McKinnie. The meal, ham and all the trimmings, will be served promptly at 7 o'clock.

Following the meal members of the class will present a musical comedy show keeping with the theme of the party: Christmas in the Gay '90's". More than a dozen acts will feature a Combo, Solos, dances, Comedy and a Barbershop Quartet. The program will close with the singing of Christmas Carols.

Members of the Class and those interested in becoming members are invited to attend.

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FIFTH GRADERS

A Christmas Party is being given for our Fifth Grade Class in Church School on Saturday afternoon, December 10, from 3:30 to 5 o'clock, in Fellowship Hall.

Parents are requested to call for their children by 5:00 P.M. at the Church.

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BASKETBALL

Our Junior Team will play the Junior Team of Third Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 10, at 2:15 P.M. at St. John's E. & R. Church.

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It was said that the Wise Men after visiting the Babe in the manger "went back another way." No one can really see Christ and go back the same way. Life becomes different from that hour.

—E. Stanley Jones

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CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Berean Class, '58 Class and the Choir will present a Christmas pageant: "The Pageant of the Holy Nativity" on Sunday evening, December 18 at 6:30 P.M. All members and friends of the Church are cordially invited to come.

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IN MEMORIAM

We wish to extend to Mr. Kenneth Johnston and his family our sincere sympathy in the recent passing away of his mother. May he and his family be sustained in their hour of sadness.

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Church School Offering	121.14

Total Offerings\$1307.60

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Fellowship Guild will hold their annual Christmas meeting in the Church Parlor on Monday evening, December at 6:00 P.M. Members are reminded bring their gift of stationery or stamp etc., for the Emily E. Flinn Home.

Mrs. William Conrad will bring the Christmas program and Mrs. T. R. Eil will give the devotions.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. George Duncan, 4008 Mound Park on Tuesday evening, December 13, 8:00 P.M. The Program will be given by Mrs. Gail Hunt, Worship by Mrs. Edw Hall.

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The Esther Circle will have a carry-over dinner meeting at the home of Mrs. Fe Teeple, 717 Union St. Apt. T-2, Monday, December 12 at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. C. Palmer will bring the program, Mrs. Albert Egly the devotions. The members will have a 50¢ gift exchange.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The General meeting will be held in the Church Parlor on Tuesday evening, December 20 at 8:00 P.M. The Program "Serving Thee Whom We Adore" is under the direction of Mrs. Robert Ogles. Worship by Kepple Circle members.

Fellowship Guild is in charge of hospitality. The McGavran Circle will serve refreshments.

The Executive will meet in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M. for a short business session.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Progressive Class will hold the annual Christmas dinner and party in the Fellowship Hall of the Church on Saturday evening, December 17 at 6:30. The men of the Class will prepare and serve the dinner with their ladies as guests.

Each person is asked to bring a 50¢ gift for exchange. Mark your gift either "man" or "woman". Every member of the Class is cordially invited to come and enjoy the fun.

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Mrs. Donald Hogan was a patient at Lutheran Hospital, but is now at home.

A number of our people are, or have been, suffering from this "virus" which seems to be so prevalent at this time.

We pray that all of our sick will soon be in good health again.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Two significant challenges shall be ours this week — responding to the needs of the aged and the children who have no visible means of support, and making our response to the call of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

1st—This Sunday we will raise \$1,000 for our Cleveland Christian Children's Home, and the Emily E. Flynn Home for the Aged in Marion, Indiana. \$500 for each of the homes will mean a great deal to each one of our fellow Christians, members of our larger family. In making your gift, remember that we must divide it two ways — between orphaned or abandoned children, and some beloved woman or man without means of support. We who know the meaning of Christmas will give generously in His blessed Name! LET'S GO OVER THE TOP ONCE MORE!

2nd—Sunday is Pledge Sunday. Each year at this time we indicate our growing interest in God's great world. Each one of us needs to re-examine his response to the claims of the Christian Gospel. We need to examine our giving in the light of His giving! God did not send earth the left-overs, or the crumbs from the heavenly table — God sent His only begotten Son, and in the course of human events, and divine as well, the Son ascended Calvary and there on a cruel cross gave His life for me and for you. In the light of God's gift of a Son, and the Son's gift of His very life blood, what shall we give? What would Jesus do? This is the true question that should haunt our hearts and minds! In such an age as ours the Christian must go much deeper before he can go much farther.

The Cross equals Divine Concern and Divine Commitment — Where do you stand in relationship to Jesus Christ, Lord of Life and Lord of Death? Time will tell, you say? Ah, yes, and will tell for all time and all eternity.

Today's Sermon Theme: "The Desire of All Nations"

The Rose Service will be held during the morning worship service on December 25th. What a wonderful day for the blessing of our babies, and the dedication of our lives to Christ.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving in December

ELDERS: December 18

Robert Rayl — Dr. A. C. Worley

DEACONS: For December

Captain — Ralph E. Church, K-7398

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LeRoy Timbrook
Edwin R. Hall
James H. Naile
Wm. E. Franklin
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DEACONESS — December

Mrs. Jefferson Young

HOSPITALITY — December

Mrs. Glenn Miller

THE PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Edith Darby is a patient in Room 412 Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. H. K. Pritchard is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 565.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

The Executive Committee of the CWF will meet in the Chapel Tuesday, December 20 at 7:15 P.M. The General meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M., in the Church Parlor. The Program, "Serving Thee Whom We Adore" is under the direction of Mrs. Robert Ogles; The Kepple Circle is in charge of Worship; The Fellowship Guild is in charge of hospitality and the McGavran Circle will serve the refreshments. A short business session will follow the program, Mrs. L. M. Culbertson presiding.

PREACHER QUILTS FOOTBALL

Because of the following reasons:

1. Every time I went to the stadium someone always asked for money!

2. Although I went to the stadium often no one ever spoke to me.

3. I was a good fan but the manager never came to call on me.

4. The seats are too hard. With all the money they had, one would think they could provide more comfortable seats.

5. The referee said things I could agree with.

6. I suspected I was sitting with people who were hypocrites. They seemed more interested in soda-pop and pop-corn than they were in the ball game.

7. I am not about to sit 2 or 3 hours during all those timeouts and delays and the risk of getting out late!

8. The band always played the same tunes. I could find music elsewhere, or sometimes they played tunes I'd never heard before.

9. The game always comes at the very time I have a trip planned, or must visit grandma's, or 'catch up on my sleep,' or besides. I was often forced to attend games when I was growing up.

10. My money is all my very own — my body is going to tell me how much I pledge before I can sit down in the bleachers!

11. All a lot of people go for is to see what somebody else is wearing! I will sit by somebody dressed better than I — Even the players have new uniforms every season and it is a big waste of money!

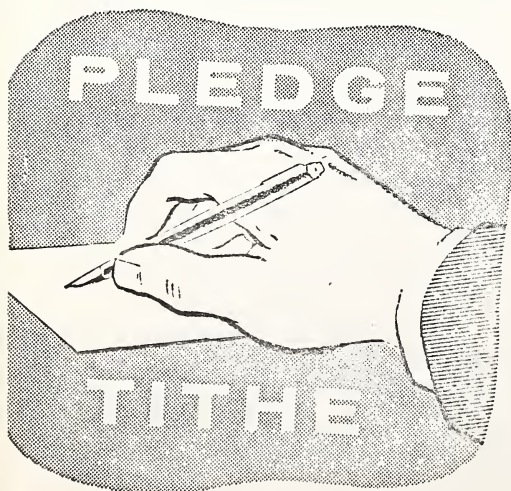
12. Since buying a book on football, I stay at home and read it, or watch the game on TV.

PECAN NUT MEATS

The Fellowship Guild are selling pecan meats again this year. They are \$1.75 per pound bag and they are perfect halves. Contact any member of the Guild or Mrs. Mildred Hartman, if you wish to buy.

GOALS FOR CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Men's Class	\$100.
Ladies Class	20.
Friendly Class	40.
Progressive Class	150.
Bereans	150.
Come Double	150.
'58 Class	75.
College Class	10.
High School Class	40.
Junior High	15.
Junior Dept.	25.
Primary Dept.	10.
Kindergarten	5.
Nursery	4.
Babes & Toddlers	2.



In the Christian Church we have made very little to do over the liturgical year. We have felt that it tends to make Christianity too mechanical, causing the individual disciple to worship the form rather than the God that Christ came to reveal. Early leaders of our movement wanted to reach beyond the type of Christianity that emphasized only "seasonal religion."

However, I feel that an attempt to de-emphasize the seasonal aspects of Christianity causes us to lose much that is beautiful and splendid. I do not believe that we should worship Christ only at Christmas and Easter. But if these two grand and glorious acts can serve to impress us with the importance of the life of Jesus Christ, they have validity.

We are now in the midst of the Advent season, the period including the four Sundays before Christmas. The actual date of Christ's birth is a mystery. But we do know that **HE CAME** and **HE COMES AGAIN AND AGAIN**. The Bible says, "In the fullness of time God sent forth His Son." When the world was ready, when the time was right and when it pleased God, He came forth to reveal God, to reconcile God and man, and to create a redemptive society.

After Jesus came, the world was never the same. In a magnified way we stand in need of His coming. Our world cannot endure without the increasing influence of Christ's coming into the hearts of men.

Surgeons at the University of Minnesota have performed an operation during which a healthy person "loans" his heart to a patient on an operating table. The surgeons operate on the "idle" heart in the patient while life processes flow into his body through plastic tubes connected to the donor.

When Christ came into this world, this is **EXACTLY** what He did for humanity. He gave his heart for a sick world. In much the same way, you and I are engaged in the redemptive society. Participating in the fellowship of the concerned, we are privileged to let the process of life flow through us to a sick society that needs the healing graces of God.

At this season when the physical advent of Jesus is being celebrated, why not let our life become the channel through which He may make His advent spiritually into the hearts of others? Your very presence at Church School and Worship Service is a witness to this fact. See you Sunday at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 11, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	13	.75
Nursery Department	18	2.21
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	36	3.95
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordbloom Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	43	3.70
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	48	8.04
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	25	3.85
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	19	3.56
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	3	.63
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	36	19.80
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	38	20.25
Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney Aaron Smith Howard Howell Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	28	27.90
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	38	18.85
Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Truby Rufus Quinn Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	23	5.30
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	6.75
Officers	4	
TOTALS	388	\$126.54

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

December 11, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	409
Church School Attendance	388
Regular Church Offering	868.28
Building Fund Offering	228.85
Church School Offering	126.54
Christmas Offering	5.00

Total Offerings\$1228.67

PROGRESSIVE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Progressive Class will hold the annual Christmas dinner and party in Fellowship Hall of the Church on Saturday evening, December 17 at 6:30. The men of the Class will prepare and serve the dinner with their ladies as guests.

Each person is asked to bring a 5¢ gift for exchange. Mark your gift for either "man" or "woman". Every member of the Class is cordially invited to come and enjoy the fun.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Berean Class, '58 Class and the Choir will present a Christmas pageant "The Pageant of the Holy Nativity" on Sunday evening, December 18 at 6:30 P.M. All members and friends of the Church are cordially invited to come.

Snack time at 5:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall.

1961 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Have YOU secured your box of Church Envelopes for 1961? They are in the Church Narthex. We hope all our families will make a point to pick up their boxes. Please check for your name on the box, as account numbers vary from year to year. If you cannot locate your envelopes please speak to Mrs. Vaught. Thank you.

CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday 16, offering 90. Worship leader, Jan Vanderwall. We will meet at 5:30 this Sunday evening for worship and a speaker. We would like our Chi Rho's to remain for the Adult Choir program and following that the adults who wish to do so, the CYF group and the Chi Rhos will go caroling.

IN MEMORIAM

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Laurence Coleman and his family in the recent loss of his mother. May God comfort them in their hour of sorrow.

THE NEW LOOK!

Have you seen the "New Look" in the parlor? The women of the Christian Women's Fellowship have spear-headed the carpeting and furnishing of the parlor and the room has been redecorated.

Other small items of furniture such as tables, etc., will help complete the over-all plan for furnishing the room. Should there be any who would like to help with this project their offerings can be made in the form of a memorial or by an outright gift. See Mrs. Caldwell, chairman, Mrs. Wm. Crouse, Mrs. David Hogg, Mrs. Wm. Lov and Mrs. Walter Marks are the balance of the Committee.



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Number 12

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

If you missed the program of drama and music last Sunday evening, you missed one of the loveliest programs ever put on in any Church! It was most beautiful and most inspiring. Many visitors have told us what our members already know — that we have the finest church choir to which they have ever listened. We all agree!

This coming Sunday morning — Christmas morning — we shall be privileged to hear Miss Carol Jean Purdy play her violin in her incomparable way. We feel that Carol has been blessed with an unusual gift and know that she will use it to bring glorious music into a discordant world. The choir will also present a special number for Christmas morning. Last Sunday morning there were 63 voices blended into one harmonious melody that prepared the way for an inspiring worship experience.

The offering for benevolence was near the \$500 mark, and we know that by this coming Sunday we will be well on the road to the full \$1,000 which is our commitment to the benevolent causes of the Brotherhood. If you have not shared in this opportunity for Christian concern, you may still do so.

Sunday morning we will have our "Rose Service," or the moments when parents bring their little ones to the House of God for a service of blessing and parental dedication. Parents planning on sharing in this service should contact the church office.

SUNDAY'S SERMON THEME: "LIKE A LAMP IN THE DARKNESS"

Christmas has but one eternal and significant meaning — God's investment of Himself in our human lives. Don't let the tinsel and toys keep you from coming to worship Him on the day set aside to remember His birth. Like the shepherds and wise men of old, let us come to worship Him who is born, King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

CHRISTMAS EVE — CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE — 8:00 P.M.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 18, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	9	2.80
Nursery Department	19	2.16
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	31	11.53
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordbloom Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	37	9.83
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	48	18.25
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	23	8.78
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	19	3.56
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	3	26.30
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	23	49.00
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	40	69.00
Harold W. Crowder James R. Shockney Aaron Smith Howard Howell Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	16	55.10
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	35	91.75
Hugh D. Rice Earl Plummer A. J. Young Elmer Darwachter Mrs. Paul Truby Rufus Quinn Mrs. Irene Cline		
Friendly Class	19	50.00
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	23.75
Officers	4	
TOTALS	341	443.90

Merry Christmas to you from the Church School of our Church. As it looks now we will be having a "White Christmas." Your Associate Minister and his family are enjoying this beautiful snow, and we are looking forward to our first Christmas in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Yes, it is a thrilling adventure to share Christmas with you. It makes us feel that all of the beautiful Christmas cards with the snow scenes have come to life.

Now we all know that next Sunday is Christmas Day. It is the day reserved for the celebration of the birth of our Savior. In the middle of the gifts we stand, our minds fixed on "things," and we have a tendency to forget that this is **HIS** birthday. Maybe we think that everybody has one on this day, and the exchange of gifts and presents is only natural.

Well, I'm certain that the unselfish spirit that motivates our giving bears a slight resemblance to Christ's way of life. He gave Himself. "Though He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor, that through His poverty might become rich to us." We discover that Jesus was always "putting Himself out" to make life a little better for others. It was this spirit that He sought to communicate to His followers, not by debate but by demonstration, not by argument but by acts.

To those who would catch this spirit, I have described them as the salt of the earth and the light of the world. The lights of Christmas with their many colors remind me of these words. Whether they be small or large, whether they shine constantly or intermittently, whether they are candles or electric bulbs, and regardless of their colors, they speak of the diversity of personalities in the Christian Cause. But they speak more eloquently of their common Denominator, "that Light which lighteth every man coming into the world."

Now as the Wise Men of old sought Jesus, so may we seek wisdom that we may know Him wherever we discover Him. The Light of Christ still shines from His Church. The world has not blown it out. Let it light your life and guide your steps.

WORSHIP CHRIST ON HIS BIRTHDAY. See you in Church and Church School next Sunday.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister



GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

"Unto you is born this
day... a Saviour, which
is Christ the Lord."

LUKE 2:10

The angelic proclamation to Judean shepherds
echoes around the world today... bringing joyous
news to all in whom Christ abides... for truly Christ
Jesus came for you, and you, and you.

Christmasman IS CHRIST'S DAY

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Mrs. Robert Rayl

"THE MESSIAH"

George Frederick Handel

Will be heard over WGL on Christmas
Eve, December 24, beginning at 10 P.M.
CDT. It will feature the Huddersfield
Choral Society with the Liverpool Philhar-
monic Orchestra conducted by Malcolm
Sargent. Their presentation of this fine
work is unsurpassed. You will want to
hear it.

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GOALS FOR CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Class	Goal	Offering
Men	\$100.00	\$ 23.75
Ladies	20.00	20.00
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Progressive	150.00	111.75
Berenas	150.00	55.10
Come Double	150.00	69.00
'58 Class	75.00	49.00
College	10.00	26.30
High School	40.00	3.56
Junior High	15.00	8.78
Junior Dept.	25.00	18.25
Primary Dept.	10.00	98.3
Kindergarten	5.00	11.53
Nursery	4.00	2.16
Babes & Toddlers ..	2.00	2.80

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 in attendance last Sun-
day evening with an offering of \$1.29. Mr.
Richard Vanderwall was the guest speaker
bringing the youth a fine message. There
will not be a meeting of Chi Rho on De-
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meet again at 4:30 Sunday afternoon, Jan-
uary 8th.

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December 18, 1960

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Church School Attendance	341
Regular Church Offering	818.20
Building Fund Offering	166.93
Church School Offering	443.90
Christmas Offering	216.75

Total Offerings\$1645.78

PLEASE NOTE!

The Fourth Quarter statements will go in
the mail this week, one week early, to
provide an opportunity to those who might
wish to pay up any balance due for the
year 1960.

1961 CHURCH ENVELOPES

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Mrs. Edward Johnson is a patient in
Lutheran Hospital, Room 412.

IN MEMORIAM

We express our heartfelt sympathy to
Mrs. Maurice Casey and children in the
recent loss of husband and father. May
God bless these folk in their hour of sor-
row.

FOOD BANK

At a recent meeting of the Official Board
it was the consensus of those present that
on occasion some in the Church have
need of material assistance in the way of
food and clothing. To be prepared for such
an emergency the Board ruled we incor-
porate a Food Bank consisting of non-
perishable foodstuffs which can be dis-
pensated when a need arises. Next Sunday
cartons will be in the church entries to re-
ceive your offering of staples, etc., which
will be stored until needed. Funds to
purchase needed clothing will also be
accepted. However, money should be
given to the minister or the church secre-
tary to be deposited for future calls.

CHALLENGE

Your rice-bowl is empty, little brother,
Your hands are blue from the cold.
Your face is a map of terror and pain,
Old as mankind is old.
Men launch their miracles, little brother,
They send their rockets up,
But should it not be their first concern
To fill your empty cup?
Men try to reach the moon, little brother,
To lasso outer space,
But should they not come closer to God
If they wiped the pain from your face?



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

The old year has gracefully drawn to a close. It has been a blessed year for your minister and his family. The trip to Scotland shall forever bless our hearts and minds, and for this and innumerable other kindnesses we thank all of you who have made our lives richer indeed. We love our wonderful congregation and are deeply proud of our ever-widening concern for the Kingdom of God around the world. The past year has seen us go over the top in all of our goals for missionary giving, even the goal of \$500 for the Christian Theological Seminary — a record to acknowledge with pride. As we forge ahead into the new year we shall expect to climb even steeper summits for our Lord. With your faith, work, and prayer, we shall stand on another sunlit summit next year at another year's end. The Christian's journey is ever upward towards the eternal stars, and it is true indeed, that the "SKY" is the limit for those who journey in Christ! May it be said of us as was said of some Swiss mountain climbers who lost their lives in an attempt to scale the Matterhorn, "When last seen, they were journeying towards the summit."

Happy New Year to all of you! It will be happy and blessed if we resolve to be God's man or woman! All of us have yearned for new starts in life, for new beginnings, and a New Year presents a wonderful beginning point for a new dedication to Christian concerns! From this day on you can be what you have always wished you could be! You can know deep consecration towards God which will keep you from giving second-rate causes for your first-rate allegiance, and help you to give first-rate causes, first-rate allegiance.

The New Year comes one day at a time! Only God and you can determine the hours of happiness or sorrow that you will find. Both joy and grief will come to many. The only absolute certainty that you may possess is that you need never face a single moment alone — God will be your constant companion, if you will it!

Sunday's Sermon: "CHOOSE YOUR RUTS WITH CARE"

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

1. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
2. MIND MIND IN MIND
3. MIND MIND IN MIND

THE Best

RESOLUTION



● For happiness throughout the year
And peace you will hold dear

RESOLVE TO FOLLOW CHRIST

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Our Christmas Offerings totaled \$857.00. Many Classes to reach their goals were Ladies' Class, Friendly Class, Progressive Class. Other Classes did especially well, coming very near their goals. We are proud of our Church School and express our appreciation to our leaders, teachers and members who have faithfully served during the year.

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CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rhos will meet Sunday afternoon, January 8th at 4:30 P.M.

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BASKETBALL

The Junior Team will play South Wayne EUB Team on Saturday, January 7, at 1:30 P.M. in St. John's Gym.

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INSTALLATION AND DEDICATION OF OFFICERS

The new Elders and Deacons will be installed in a Service of Dedication on Sunday morning, January 8th, at the Worship Hour.

Officers elected by the Official Board to serve for the year 1961 are: Hugh B. Rice, Chairman; Harold Addison, Vice-Chairman; Harry Harman, Chairman, Board of Elders; Orville Moody, Chairman, Board of Deacons; Wendell C. Glass, Chairman, Trustees; Mrs. James Shockney, Chairman, Board of Deaconesses.

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As I enter the New Year, I take God to be my Father; Jesus Christ to be my Saviour; the Holy Spirit to be my Guide; the Bible to be the rule of my life; Christian people to be my associates; Christian work my duty and privilege.

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Mrs. Robert Rayl

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ELDERS: January 1st

Harry Harman — Walter Birkhold

DEACONS:

Robert Cocherille
Cecil Beck
Donald C. Smith
Ben G. Taylor
Homer Stevenson
Delmas Young
George R. Bruckman
A. Jefferson Young
Carl D. Linn
Olos G. Fox
Charles Ludwig
Herbert Banet

DEACONESS: For January:

Mrs. James R. Shockney

HOSPITALITY: For January:

Mrs. Paul Truby

Well, the old year is fading away fast. A few more days are left. In fact when we see each other again it will already be next year. Let me take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the wonderful Christmas cards you sent. It was so nice of the CWF to present us with a nice white blanket. We appreciate every expression of your love at this season.

In the way of accomplishments over the past year, your Church School averaged over 325 in attendance each Sunday. In the year of 1959 you averaged 319 per Sunday. We did have a slight drop last Sunday, but it wasn't as great as the one in 1959. As I look at the record for your Church School, it looks like you had a great year. But that record tells me that some improvement can be made next year. What do you think?

In the year 1961 we have 52 brand new Sundays. They are fresh and unopened. What are we going to do with them? In these 52 Sundays and the days in between them we can build the greatest Church School in Fort Wayne. Only your loyalty and imagination can place a limit on the accomplishments for the coming year. For the decisions that you make in your heart determine the destiny of your Church School as well as your own personal fate.

Why don't we start a "FIFTY-TWO CLUB?" We don't need a president or any other officers. There will be no dues for this club either. We won't even vote on members for their acceptance or rejection. You decide that you would like to join the "FIFTY-TWO CLUB" all you have to do is determine in your heart and mind that you are going to be in Church and Church School each Sunday during the next year. There never are any shirkers in the "FIFTY-TWO CLUB." For the only way that you can disqualify yourself is to miss a Sunday. Real, honest-to-goodness sickness can be accepted as an excuse, for you see, you are the only one who will ever judge your membership. But let's all join right now. Let's have 100 members on the first Sunday in January.

Can you see what this would do if we all belonged to the "FIFTY-TWO CLUB?" It would revolutionize our Church! It might be that we would have to conduct two services of worship and have two Church Schools. It would be fun to advertise and see what we would do when that situation arises. Why don't we pray and work toward the end that we would create such a situation. This is the year in which we can do just that. And with this thought, I say "A Happy New Year to you and your loved-ones."

Year to you and your loved-ones"

John W. Williams, Associate Minister
 P.S.: See you in Church School and
 Worship Services at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M.
 next Sunday.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 25, 1960

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	7	.50
Nursery Department	10	1.74
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	23	5.17
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	31	3.98
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	34	7.41
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	18	3.80
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	17	4.34
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	4	1.50
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	16	11.45
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	16	8.25
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	39	19.76
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	28	19.30
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	11	3.85
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	5.00
Officers	2	
TOTALS.....	269	\$97.05

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

December 25, 1960

Church Worship Attendance	340
Church School Attendance	269
Regular Church Offering	1031.28
Building Fund Offering	115.57
Church School Offering	97.05
Christmas Offering	191.84

Total Offerings\$1435.74

FOOD BANK

At a recent meeting of the Official Board it was the consensus of those present that on occasion some in the Church have need of material assistance in the way of food and clothing. To be prepared for such an emergency the Board ruled we incorporate a Food Bank consisting of non-perishable foodstuffs which can be dispensed when a need arises. Staples will be accepted from week to week and stored until needed. Funds to purchase needed clothing will also be accepted. However, money should be given to the minister or the church secretary to be deposited for future calls.

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will hold their meeting in the Church Parlor Friday evening January 6th, at 7:30.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Herman W. Sigrist is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain fell and broke her hip this last week and is in Parkview Hospital, Room 544.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Muriel Wilson, 2218 Lynn Ave., Tuesday afternoon, January 3, at 1:00 o'clock.

The Kepple Circle will meet in the Church Parlor Wednesday morning, January 4 at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau, Worship by Mrs. Wm. Love.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Chas. McDowell, 914 Kinnaird, Wednesday morning, January 4, at 9:00 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Harold Addison.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Ceci Beck, 5872 Meadowbrook Drive, Wednesday afternoon, January 4, at 1:00 o'clock. Worship by Mrs. Elmer Darwachter.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Ben Taylor, 1616 Hollis Lane, Wednesday January 4, at 8 P.M.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Irene Cline, 129 E. Lexington Thursday evening, January 5, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Ethel Allen.



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Volume 19

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

The next twelve weeks offer unusual opportunities for spiritual growth. The School of Christian Living will present three adult study courses, and the C.Y.F. will participate in an unusual study of personal problems and character building techniques. The adult study courses to be offered will be as follows:

"An Introduction to The Bible"Mr. David Hogg, teacher
 "Prayer and Devotional Life"Mr. James Shockney, teacher
 "The Disciples of Christ"Rev. John Williams, teacher
 "Let's Look At Ourselves (C.Y.F.)"The Minister

The schedule will be as follows:

5:30-6:30 P.M. Study Time

6:30 Snack Time * (The supper hour will feature each family bringing a "covered dish" and the church furnishing the meat, rolls and drink.)

—Those bringing food are urged to place it in the kitchen prior to going to the Study Classes, in order that those in charge of the supper can prepare for the dinner. Please bring your table service.

—At the dinner hour the members who came into our fellowship during 1960 will be presented to our fellowship. The members of our board will also be presented by our chairman, Mr. Hugh Rice.

*This carry-in dinner will be held the first Sunday evening in each month, and during the other Sunday evenings a dessert and drink will be provided for the fellowship hour following the study classes.

INSTALLATION SERVICE for the elders and deacons will be held this coming Sunday morning during the worship service. Each elder and deacon is urged to be in attendance.

Sunday's Sermon: "THE THREE GREAT QUESTS OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT"

At the heart of our discordant world is a bitter restlessness which stirs at the hearts and minds of backward peoples. This is a time of revolution in the realm of ideals and ideas. Will it be for better or for worse? What is man actually questing for in his pursuit of things? Where does the tangled path lead?

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE Officers Serving in January

ELDERS: January 8th

Maxwell Smith — Albert Powell

DEACONS:

Robert Cocherille

Cecil Beck

Donald C. Smith

Ben G. Taylor

Homer Stevenson

Delmas Young

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Olos G. Fox

Charles Ludwig

Herbert Banet

DEACONESS: For January:

Mrs. James R. Shockney

HOSPITALITY: For January:

Mrs. Paul Truby

BASKETBALL

The Junior Team will play South Wayne EUB Team on Saturday, January 7, at 1:30 P.M. in St. John's Gym.

PECAN NUT MEATS

The Fellowship Guild still have nut meats on hand to sell. These are fine large halves from this year's crop. See Miss Hartman or any member of the Guild. They will be glad to serve you.

Mrs. Eva Mosier is now at home, 813½ Edgewater Ave., after spending some time in the Hospital. Mrs. Mosier wishes to take this way to thank all those who remembered her with cards, calls, gifts, flowers and especially for the singing of Carols by the Choir.

The Fort Wayne Council of Church Women will hold a Coffee Hour at First Christian Church, Wednesday, January 11 at 9 A.M.

All women invited.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

School for Christian Living will be resumed next Sunday evening, January 8, at 5:30 P.M. when three series of study courses will begin led by Mr. David Hogg, Mr. James Shockney and Rev. John Williams. At 6:30 we will enjoy a carry-over dinner. Those whose names begin in the alphabet with A thru H will bring your favorite salad; those between I and P are to bring a hot vegetable; those from Q thru Z are asked to bring a dessert. Mr. Hogg's Class will meet in the Chapel; Mr. Shockney's Class in the Gym; Rev. Williams' Class in the Sanctuary. The Nursery will be open.

PLEASE BRING TABLE SERVICE.
THANK YOU!

IN MEMORIAM

We wish to express sincere sympathy to the family of Paul L. Carpenter in his recent death on January 1st in California. Mr. Carpenter was for many years a member of this Church and served faithfully as a Deacon. He will be greatly missed.

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Ellery Flaugh is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 379.

Mr. James Denton is a patient at Parkview Hospital, Room 420.

Mrs. H. K. Pritchard wishes to take this means of expressing her thanks and appreciation to all those who sent cards, called during her illness; especially she wishes to thank the Choir for their singing of Carols at Christmas.

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IN YOUR LIFE

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Attend Every Church Service

PUT YOUR CHURCH FIRST®

Dear Friends:

The Old Year has gone and the New Year has come. Looking back, it is well that we take stock of our Church School over the past year. We had a total attendance of 17,000 exactly in Church School, which gave us an average of 327 per Sunday. This was considerably higher than the year 1959, but it doesn't leave us any room to glory.

Now let us look to the future! It holds many promises for us. We are anticipating the greatest year in the history of the church. The opportunity is here. Let us claim it for Christ. One of the things I hope to see accomplished is a 10% increase in attendance for this year. It will take some work and consecration on everyone's part. At the end of the year we could be able to report to you a total attendance of 18,700. With Christ we stretch forward.

The Church School (Adult Section) is studying a course in Stewardship. No we aren't talking about money. It is a Biblical study on the subject of man's possessions. Where did man ever receive the right to say, "Mine, my or ours?" Is man responsible to a higher authority than himself? Can he do with his "possessions" as he pleases? What does God have to say about these things? For an answer to this question we turn to the Bible. Hence, we are studying "Stewardship in the Bible." Most of man's troubles and ills can be traced to this source: man's misuse of possessions. Under the direction of God, the Christian seeks to know and do God's will in matters of the material as well as the spiritual. Come to Church and Church School this Sunday at 9:15 and 10:30. Your life will be blessed. Oh, yes, we had 270 members of the FIFTY-TWO CLUB last Sunday.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

S. — For your devotional life at home, copies of the "SECRET PLACE" are available in the Church narthex.

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	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	7	.50
Nursery Department	12	1.58
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	24	4.91
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	27	1.92
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	35	5.06
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	20	2.05
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	16	4.03
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	4	2.25
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	14	11.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	35	16.50
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	18	7.10
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	20	15.55
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	18	4.65
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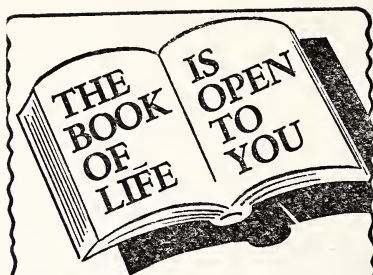
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

JANUARY 1, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	332
Church School Attendance	270
Regular Church Offering	1085.46
Building Fund Offering	231.35
Church School Offering.....	92.85
Christmas Offering	10.00

Total Offerings\$1419.66



The Life Abundant is yours
for the asking through the
study of God's Word in Sun-
day School

THIS IS YOUR INVITATION

COME SUNDAY ©

Bring a Friend

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Monthly Circle Meetings

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Albert Egly, 1927 No. Wells St., Monday evening, January 9, for a Carry-in dinner 6:30. The group will hold a "Silent Auction."

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The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mr. Charles Speicher, 301 Edgeknoll Lane Monday evening, January 9 at 8 P.M. Worship by Nancy Fay Woodhull, Study by Mrs. T. R. Eiler.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Wm. Wetzel, 3028 S. Anthony, Tuesday, January 10 at 8 P.M. Mrs. Myron Co is Co-hostess. Program by Mrs. Garlar Morrolf, Worship by Mrs. Wetzel.

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CRIBS FOR THE NURSERY

We wish to take this means to thank Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Timbrook for their gift of a crib for the Nursery. This is most helpful.

Mrs. Robert Rayl, Chairman

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INSTALLATION AND DEDICATION OF OFFICERS

The new Elders and Deacons will be installed in a Service of Dedication on Sunday morning, January 8th, at the Worship Hour.



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, January 12, 1961

Number 15

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

WOW! That's the most expressive word for our Sunday services! A great congregation in the morning, four fine people assenting to the gospel call for fellowship in the Church, and then that overflow crowd Sunday evening! I never had so many people with me on my birthday before in my life! It wasn't a birthday party, but believe me it was a real "party" to see such a wonderful crowd present and obviously enjoying such a wonderful time!

The School for Christian Living will continue this coming Sunday evening at 5:30 with one exception — the C.Y.F. and young adults are asked to meet at 5:00 P.M. so that the minister can keep a speaking engagement at Huntington. The minister will bring the closing message to the District Youth Meeting in Central Christian Church, Huntington.

Mr. Hogg: "An Introduction to the Bible", will present the Truth, the continuity, and the living power of the Bible in this coming week's session. You won't want to miss a single session.

Mr. Williams: "The Disciples of Christ" (We're not the only Christians but we do want to be Christians only!)

Mr. James Shockney: Prayer and Devotional Life ("People who pray together stay together")

The Minister: C.Y.F. and young adults (role playing) (5:00 P.M.)

More than 200 of your fellow Christians participated this past Sunday evening, and you are more than welcome to join these splendid people!

5:30 - 6:30 — Christians at Study.

6:30 — — Christians at Fellowship (Dessert & coffee)

Sunday's Sermon: "AT WAR WITH OURSELVES"

Never a day passes but what one wonders how it is that though trying your dead level best to be a Christian, sin and doubts stalk your trail. Why is it that we who are children of God, often sin and fall short of His glory. We'll think about this inner "Civil War" Sunday morning. I'll expect to see you there.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

January 8, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	13	.55
Nursery Department	21	2.47
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	36	4.25
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	43	3.23
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	54	6.86
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	26	4.28
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	23	3.17
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.70
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	30	14.50
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	44	23.75
Harold W. Crowder		
James R. Shockney		
Aaron Smith		
Howard Howell		
Mrs. Ben Taylor		
Berean Class	23	12.41
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
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Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitten		
Friendly Class	15	3.45
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Irene Kissinger		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	5.00
Officers	4	
TOTALS	379	\$102.12

It was a joy and a thrill to see our Church School Attendance on the increase again last Sunday. Perhaps most of us have the travel fever out of our blood, we are home from the holidays and we are settled down once again to the regular routine of living.

Our School for Christian Living certainly did thrill me last Sunday evening. This was the largest attendance we have had this season. All of the special classes were well attended, and it is pleasing to note that we had 35 in the CYF Psychological Role Playing Session. And did they ever have fun! There was a little congestion in the traffic lanes around the food tables, but we hope to have this remedied by the first Sunday night in February. If we expedite this portion of the session, we can devote more time to the program for the Family Night.

Let me share this with you. One of the couples who attended our Church for the first time remarked that they were impressed that this was a "Family Church." They said that it was almost unbelievable to see so many families sitting together in the Social Hall. This was attractive enough to them that they are considering membership in this Church on that basis more than anything else. Can you see how your life and family unconsciously witnesses for Christ and the Church?

Next Sunday we will continue our study of "Stewardship in the Bible" in most of the adult classes. Our School for Christian Living will continue to offer the courses in the Bible, Prayer and Devotional Life and the Disciples of Christ. Mr. David Hogg has selected as the title for his session next Sunday, "THE UNITY OF THE BIBLE IN PERSPECTIVE." With such a curriculum for Christian living we will be able to see much spiritual growth and development in our people during the next eleven weeks.

Let me leave you with this reminder that you will certainly receive a blessing throughout the entire Lord's Day if you take advantage of these special opportunities offered by your Church for your spiritual enrichment.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

DECIDE NOW

- ☐ to be an active member
- ☐ to serve in the church
- ☐ to support the church
- ☐ to grow in Christian

STEWARDSHIP

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving in January

DEACONS: January 15th

David Griggs — Eural Rose

DEACONS:

Robert Cocherille
Cecil Beck
Donald C. Smith
Ben G. Taylor
Homer Stevenson
Delmas Young
George R. Bruckman
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IN SYMPATHY

Sorrow entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Egly twice this last week when Mr. Egly's brother passed away on Saturday and Mrs. Egly's brother passed away on Sunday morning.

Our hearts share their double sorrow and we pray God will comfort them in the days ahead.

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You can win more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can win in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.

—Dale Carnegie

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It isn't difficult to get people to serve on the "Lookout" Committee; our difficulty is to get personnel for the "Go-Out" Committee.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

We will meet again next Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M. for the second in a series of lessons led by Mr. Hogg, Mr. Shockney and Rev. Williams. Following the study period refreshments will be served.

The topic for study and discussion by the Class on "Introducing The Bible" is, "The Truth, Continuity and Power of the Bible". Read the Gospel of John, Chapters 1-2.

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ANNUAL MEETING

Fort Wayne Associated Churches

The Fort Wayne Associated Churches will hold their annual meeting at the Lincolnshire Church of the Brethren, South Calhoun Street, Monday evening, January 23. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Meal \$1.50.

This dinner meeting is open to all. Call in your reservations to Associated Churches, H-4182 or call the Church office, H-6222.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. E. L. Jordan is a patient at Lutheran Hospital, Room 137.

Mr. Raymond Russell is a patient at St. Joseph Hospital, Room 457.

Mr. Ward Bundy is in Lutheran Hospital but is not allowed callers.

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A WORD TO THE WISE

People who are in hospitals like company IF:

...the company doesn't stay too long. (Remember the patient is probably weak.)

...the company doesn't sit on the bed. (The patient is paying for the use of it.)

...the company is cheerful. (The patient has worries enough without listening and worrying about your troubles.)

...the company has good news about current events. (The patient may lose track of community events after a week or so.)

...the company has a sympathetic ear and will listen. (Let the patient do a little of the talking. It will help him to get his troubles off his chest.)

...the company doesn't criticize the doctors, nurses, and hospital. (Remember, the patient has faith in these folk and is depending on them to help him get well.)

...the company doesn't visit with other guests. (Too often a patient is left out of a conversation while two old friends talk over old times.)

—PONCA CITY CHRISTIAN

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JANUARY 8, 1961

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Church School Attendance	379
Regular Church Offering	1323.61
Building Fund Offering	237.43
Church School Offering	102.12

Total Offerings\$1663.16

CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rhos had an attendance of 1 last Sunday with an offering of \$1.8. Worship leader was Judy Cole.

Next Sunday evening the Chi Rhos will meet at 5:30 P.M. with Shirley Naile as Worship leader. They will meet in the 3rd year Primary room.

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CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Chi Rho youth choir will rehearse next Sunday at 5:30 P.M. The Junior Choir will rehearse at 6:00 P.M. next Sunday evening.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Executive and General Program

The General meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship will begin with luncheon at 12:30. The Menu will be Potmos Loaf, Huldah Bowl, Signet pie prepared and served by the cooks in Spice Circle.

The Executive will meet in the Chapel at 1:15 for a short business session. The afternoon program will begin at 2 P.M. in the Church Parlor. Our speaker, Mrs. Archie Graber, returned from the Cong late in 1959, where she and Mr. Graber served as missionaries. Her subject will be "The Missionary Cook Book". All the women of the church are invited. Please call in your reservation for the luncheon.

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Failures and disappointments belong to the changing fortunes of every man and woman. No one can escape their dangerous whirlpools forever. Those who do escape from failure and swim on to safety are the ones who accept and trust temporary defeats as inevitable experience faced on the path of success. They ride them through and reach their goal.



A MESSAGE FOR YOU

GOD'S message is direct to your heart, from the throne of the Most High...

Christ seeks to present that message to you. But it doesn't come special delivery. You have to call for it.

HEAR GOD'S MESSAGE IN HIS HOUSE SUNDAY



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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Number 16

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Well, just ten more people would have seen 400 in our Bible School! Surely there fifty or sixty of you who can make it a point on being present this Sunday morning helping us push over the 400 mark! Oh how much can be accomplished with so more effort! Just ten more families making up their minds to be regular in Bible School can push our attendance up to where it needs to be. Let's all try a little harder make Bible School a must with our families!

The other two services of our church fellowship were also well attended. Our sanctuary and balcony were filled to capacity Sunday morning, and the School for Christian Living was very well attended. I have heard numerous comments on the adult classes of Mr. Hogg, Mr. Shockney, and Rev. Williams. If you are missing these sessions we all feel that you are missing a real opportunity for spiritual growth.

Some time ago a very forceful book came from the press entitled, "People's Padre". This book, the noted scholar, Reinhold Niebuhr (America's most noted Protestant theologian) has written:

"People's Padre is a superb story of a very impressive Christian man. I have not been more thrilled by an autobiography in a long while than by this one". Bishop, G. Bromley Oxnam, of the Methodist Church, has written: "An invaluable contribution . . . The transparent honesty of it is very persuasive. The public needs his revelations."

The writer, Upton Sinclair, has written: "People's Padre is the most moving story I have read in a long time. Fiction cannot beat it." The Bookstore price is \$3.50. We have been permitted to sell a number of these books for the reduced price of \$2.95. When our limited number of these are sold there will be no more. They will be available Sunday morning and any other day of the week from the Church office.

Sunday's Sermon: "PIONEERS OF A NEW HUMANITY"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

January 15, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	13	.70
Nursery Department	16	2.30
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	40	7.80
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordbloom Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	40	3.68
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	50	8.29
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	25	3.25
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	27	5.97
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	2.30
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	32	16.00
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	42	24.25
James R. Shockney Stanley Cole Omer Guingrich Robert Perkins Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	22	36.75
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	37	18.50
Hugh D. Rice Wm. Caldwell Elmer Darwachter Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	22	5.52
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.50
Officers	4	
TOTALS	389	142.56

Our Church School and Worship Service attendance continues to grow. It is on the upsurge. Last Sunday it was a real source of happiness to see 389 in Church School and the Worship Service attended by many. Even the balcony was filled during the 10:30 Worship. Several came to Church School only to be too late to be included in the total figure. Had every one arrived before the "final" accounting we would have had over 400 in attendance for the first time this year.

Perhaps you wonder why the emphasis on figures. You have a right to wonder. The Church and its Ministry are not interested in figures for the sake of figures alone. They do not tell the entire story of the Church, but they do tell something about our love and loyalty to Christ. The greatest growth of the Church can never always be measured in respect to numbers. You cannot weigh a pound of love. You cannot measure a mile of devotion. You cannot keep account of a person's sincerity by checking his attendance on a calendar.

But when a person is so interested, loyal and sincere in his commitment to Christ, barring providential limitations and physical handicaps, there are certain things that will be evident. His attendance at Church School and Worship will be regularity rather than a rarity. He takes genuine pleasure in the progress made for the cause of Christ. Let us consider our lives in this perspective. If the Church moves ahead, is it because of anything we have done? Are we part of the Church's victory or part of its objective? Are we part of the problem or part of the answer? By our lives do we contribute or detract from the Church? Demonstrate your faith by attending Church and Church School next Sunday.

A special invitation is issued to all to attend the School for Christian Living each Sunday from now until Palm Sunday. It meets at 5:30 P.M. and is divided into four sections: (1) CYF in the Parlor with the Minister (2) Introduction to the Bible with Mr. David Hogg in the Chapel (3) Prayer and Devotional Life in the Church Room with Mr. James Shockney and (4) The Disciples of Christ with John Williams in the Sanctuary.

It will be a pleasure to see you Sunday. It's the Lord's Day, you know.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving in January

DEERS: January 22nd

James Naile — William Crouse

DEACONS:

Cecil Beck

Donald C. Smith

Ben G. Taylor

Homer Stevenson

Delmas Young

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

Carl D. Linn

Charles Ludwig

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ANNUAL MEETING

Fort Wayne Associated Churches

All hold their annual meeting at the
Woolshire Church of the Brethren, South
High Street, Monday evening, January
15. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Meal
\$1.50.

This dinner meeting is open to all. Call
for your reservations to Associated
Churches, H-4182 or call the Church office,
H-6222.

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TO STRANGERS WITHIN OUR GATES:

We trust within our church you will find
the quiet of the presence of God; the
blessed warmth of a real brotherhood;
and the abiding truth of the sacred
Scriptures.

HOW MUCH DO YOU LOVE YOUR CHURCH?

Your love for your church is indicated
by your answer to the church's call for
financial support for its work in the com-
munity and for world missions. By your
response you register your vote for the
program that your church should have for
the next year.

—Some vote for the church to go forward.

Your regular weekly pledge is your vote
for the church to continue its work. An
increase of your former pledge is your
vote to make it possible for the church
to do more.

—Some vote for the church to hold its
own. Your pledge the same as last
year's is your vote to continue the
service of the church, but without pro-
vision for advanced costs or an enlarged
program.

—Some vote to hold services occasionally.

When you make no pledge and give
only when you attend or feel like it,
you vote for church services with a
good sermon and good music only on
the Sundays you attend. You know the
church could not operate regularly on
such support.

—Some vote to close the church. If you
have an income, but make no pledge,
and give nothing, you vote that as far
as you are concerned the church could
close its doors. With no support, any
church would cease.

"On the first day of every week, each
of you is to put something aside and save,
as he may prosper . . ."

—I Corinthians 16:2

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Where there is no Christian Sabbath,
there is no Christian morality; and without
this, free institutions cannot long be sus-
tained.

—Justice McLean, U.S. Supreme Court.

Where You are Always a



A *Very Important Person indeed is every person in our
Sunday School . . . Attend Sunday and find out for yourself.

BRING THE FAMILY TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

JANUARY 15, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	438
Church School Attendance	389
Regular Church Offering	1029.76
Building Fund Offering	201.60
Church School Offering	142.60

Total Offerings\$1373.96



CHI RHO CORNER

There were 21 in attendance on Sunday evening, January 15, with an offering of \$1.80. Mr. Donald Wasson showed the group pictures on therapeutic care of Parkview Hospital which was most in-
teresting.

The group will meet next Sunday eve-
ning at 5:30 P.M. for Choir practice fol-
lowed by the program and worship, led
by Roger Swift. The Chi Rho's are to
make calls on Shut-Ins next Sunday.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Chi Rho youth choir will rehearse
next Sunday at 5:30 P.M. The Junior Cho-
ir will rehearse at 6:00 P.M. next Sunday
evening.

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Roland Ripple sustained a broken
bone in her foot in an automobile accident
last week. She is improving steadily.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Mr. Hogg's Class

The topic for discussion in this class
next Sunday evening will be, "The Re-
vealing Attributes and Characteristics of
God". An exposition will be made by stu-
dent members of the Class. Every one is wel-
come.

Refreshments will be served following
the Study period at 6:30 P.M., in Fellow-
ship Hall.

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A force for civic righteousness.
A power for God throughout the world.
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and strength, free to all who come.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends In Christ:

T. E. Eliot in his works reminds us in a most graphic way that when we refuse to work out our redemption by a conscious choice of our wills, we are lost. Our world is in a thousand ways to get rid of that word, "lost". We don't like it, but there it stands confronting our moral innocuousness and grey neutrality. Eliot has written:

Our age is an age of moderate virtue
And of moderate vice
When men will not lay down the Cross
Because they will not assume it.
Yet nothing is impossible, nothing,
To men of faith and conviction.
Let us therefore make perfect our will.
O God, help us.

Eliot further holds before most of us a mirror in which we see ourselves, who wrote:

... constantly trying to escape
From the darkness outside and within
By dreaming of systems so perfect
that no one will need to be good.

We have tried in the past two sermons to point out the inescapable struggle that comes on in any soul sensitive to the Spirit of God. The inevitable tug of the world around us, and the upward pull of the Spirit of God, are in constant conflict in the hearts and minds of us all. The trouble lies in what Paul wrote to the Philippian church: "ALL THE OTHERS SEEM TO BE WRAPPED UP IN THEIR OWN AFFAIRS AND DO NOT REALLY CARE FOR THE BUSINESS OF JESUS CHRIST!"

Paul apparently "quit preaching and went to meddling" didn't he:

—"All wrapped up in their own affairs"

—"do not really care for the business of Jesus Christ"

As Senator Goldwater would say, "And how do you stand, sir?"

Sunday's Sermon: "Children of Starry Heaven and Primeval Slime".

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving in January

ELDERS: January 29th

Robert Clipp — J. E. Weicker

DEACONS:

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Donald C. Smith
Ben G. Taylor
Homer Stevenson
Delmas Young
George R. Bruckman
A. Jefferson Young
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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. F. M. Moody and family in the recent loss of her father, Dr. R. O. Warren, of Lexington, Ky. Our prayers are with Mrs. Moody in these days of sadness.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Raymond Russell has been a patient in Room 457, St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. E. L. Jordan was a patient in Lutheran hospital, for surgery.

Mr. L. R. Mote is in Room 449, Parkview Hospital.

YOUTH WEEK

January 29 — February 5

Theme: "Into All the World Together"

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 in attendance last Sunday evening with \$1.36 offering. Chi Rho — this is a fine report but let's each work toward increasing our attendance on Sunday evenings. Margaret Love is in charge of the worship period at 6:00 P.M.

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WHAT ABOUT YOU?

Are you an active member,
The kind that would be missed,
Or are you just contented
That your name is on the list?
Do you attend the meetings
And mingle with the flock,
Or do you just stay away
And criticize and knock?
Do you ever go and visit
A member who is sick,
Or leave the work to just a few
And talk about the "clique"?
Come to the meetings often
And help with hand and heart;
Don't be just a member,
But take an active part.

—Copied

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Do not be DRIVEN to prayer. Practice it as a normal, systematic privilege.

FELLOWSHIP



MEANS clasping His outstretched hand . . . It means walking with Him every day, every hour of the day . . . It means confident, glorious living.

**GOD HAS DONE HIS PART
HAVE YOU DONE YOURS?**

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January 22, 1961

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Infants & Toddlers	8	.66
Nursery Department	16	3.02
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	30	3.84
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordbloom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	31	3.11
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	47	6.97
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	27	3.55
Mr. William Franklin		
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College Class	5	1.75
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
the "58" Class	22	13.25
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	45	23.85
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	25	13.15
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	20.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwichter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	15	3.35
Mrs. Albert Egly		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
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Officers	4	
TOTALS	333	\$97.39

It takes courage to stand for Christ in any day. Courage is one of the most precious attributes one can have. One may have conviction, but unless he has courage to match it, his conviction is useless. Last Sunday 343 people had conviction that their place was in God's House and 343 people had the courage to brave the elements of nature to express their conviction.

When Martin Luther, having nailed his thesis to the Church door at Wittenberg, walked into the imperial council hall of Charles V to face the charge of heresy, an old knight touched him on the shoulder with his gauntlet, saying, "Little monk, you are taking a step the like of which neither I nor many a commander in our fiercest battles would take."

Are you saying to yourself, "I would have stood with him and remained steadfast if only I had been living then and there"? Would you? It is easy to look back over history and say what we would have done. We rationalize and say that it is not necessary to be men of conviction because others have shaped our faith on the anvil of history.

The enemies of faith are still existent. Perhaps they approach us with more subtle tactics, but nevertheless, they are real. To express one's convictions with courage in this day requires that we intelligently examine our faith. This is the purpose of the Church School and Worship Hour.

Where would you have stood during the last week of Christ's life? For you, would it have been a crown of thorns or a diadem of gold? Would it have been mockery and scorn or reverence and adoration? This day, the King of Kings asks you, "WHERE DO YOU STAND, SIR"?

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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Church School Attendance	333
Regular Church Offering	571.57
Building Fund Offering	115.25
Church School Offering	97.39
Total Offerings	\$784.21

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. A. N. Shockney, 4840 So. Hanna St. Wednesday, February 1, at 9:00 A.M. Worship by Mrs. Paul Truby, Program by Mrs. Roland Ripple.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Rufus Quinn, 3916 Oak Park, Wednesday morning, February 1, at 9 o'clock. Worship by Mrs. William Ganter, Program will be films of the Mission Station in Mexico by Mrs. Harold Addison.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mr. C. F. Durfee, 1018 College St., Wednesday afternoon, February 1, at 1:00 P.M. Worship by Mrs. W. H. Imbody, Program by Mrs. Norman Long.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Ethel Richhart, 2714 Maumee Ave., Thursday, February 2, at 7:45 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Roy Beal, Program by Mrs. Iren Cline.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Refreshments will be served following the Study period at 6:30 P.M., in Fellowship Hall.

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— FEBRUARY 5 —

Family Night Carry-In Dinner

The carry-in dinner follows the Study period on February 5, in the School for Christian Living. Members of the Church whose last names begin with the alphabet "A thru I" are asked to bring dessert; those from "J thru Q" to bring salad; those from "R thru Y" are to bring a hot vegetable.

You are reminded to bring sufficient of your dish in proportion to the number in your family, that there will be enough food for everyone present.

ALSO, PLEASE BRING TABLE SERVICE

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet at the home of Mrs. C. D. Palmer, 2625 No. Well St., Friday evening, February 3, at 7:00 P.M. Assistant hostesses: Mrs. M. Waggoner and Mrs. Merle Teeters.

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BLIGHT IN FORT WAYNE

We believe that Sunday shopping is a real blight in our community. This trend in our city concerns many people. It can be stopped! Refuse to shop and use your influence to keep others from shopping. If every member of every church will seriously make an effort the situation can be changed.



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Dear Fellow-Christians:

The other day I came across a clipping from Time Magazine, the week of May 15, 1950, which I had placed in my files because it struck me as a graphic illustration of man's approach to his workaday world. As I read it again after nearly eleven years I am struck by its truths even more so in our present hour. In part the article quotes from an article by Voigt, a English Roman Catholic editor:

It states that modern man's creed holds:

"A religion without God; Christianity without Christ; Christ without anti-christ; Heaven without Hell; works without faith; a God of love without the wrath of God; a Church that can bless but cannot curse.

"We believe that God, almighty and incarnate, is but a benevolent Spirit; that Satan does not exist; that Christ was the author of an ethical code, but not the Godhead crucified. We profess to believe that He existed, for agnosticism is no longer fashionable. We believe that the Gospels must conform with our time and not our time with the Gospels . . .

"All the articles of our creed can be summed up in one phrase: 'The Christian Ethic.' The 'Christian Ethic' is the Antichrist of the Western World. It is the most insidious and formidable corruption that ever afflicted that world. . . ."

Yes, it was true when written eleven years ago, but even more so in this hour of man history. Man attempts to play God, to believe in an easy-going God who has no moral character and no moral backbone. Such a God would have no right to exist! It is a God fashioned after the likeness of men, and therefore one that does not exist. God has both wrath at evil doers and love for questing sinners; He is beyond our full comprehension, yet reveals Himself through His Spirit to all who seek Him.

This Sunday I want to preach on the subject: "THE TRAGEDY OF HUMAN PRE-NSION". To prepare your hearts for the message will you ponder over these scripture portions: Luke 19:47-48; Matt. 7:15-27; Luke 12:13-31; Lk. 14:15-18, 26-33. And then Philippians 2:21 and Rev. 3:15-16.

LET'S CROWN CHRIST IN EVERYTHING!

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"THE PEOPLE'S PADRE"

We have a few copies of this book still unsold. Those that are not sold will be mailed back to the Publishers on Monday morning, February 6th. Get your copy now! Reserve your book thru the office.

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INTRODUCTION OF THE BIBLE

The subject of the study next Sunday Evening in this Class taught by Mr. Hogg is, "The Bible and Evolution". Those not enrolled in one of the other Classes taught at this period are cordially invited to join us at 5:30 in the Chapel.

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MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Next Saturday morning, February 4, the Men will hold their regular Prayer Breakfast at 8 o'clock. Join us in this hour of fellowship and worship! All men of the Church and friends are invited.

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DEACONS: For the Month —

Captain — Ted E. Bryan, T-0250

Harold Addison

Herdis Helmuth

Hendricks Love

Lawrence Horn

Max Finkhausen

William Ganter

Walter Keebortz

Merland Heller

Andrew Cook

Charles Speicher

Fred Smell

Harry Imbody

DEACONESS: For February —

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

HOSPITALITY: For February —

Mrs. Wm. Crouse

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

In Parkview:

Mrs. Ada Schaphorst, Room 421

Mrs. Gordon Welker, Room 439

Mrs. Olos Fox

In Lutheran Hospital:

Richard W. Baker

Ward Bundy

St. Joseph's Hospital:

Mrs. Edward Ashton

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'58 CLASS

The '58 Class members are the collective foster-parents of a 12 year old Korean girl, Kim In Soon. Money, clothing and other necessities are provided for her and her family monthly.

Any member of the church wishing share in this worthy project may do by contacting Mrs. Donald Some H-15244, or any member.

Your good used bedding or summer clothing for girls or women will be greatly appreciated.

The '58 Class is collecting Hills Brothers Coffee key strips and jar labels. When enough have been collected they will be traded in on a new coffee maker for the church. Church members are urged to save these key strips and labels. They may be turned in to any one of the Class members.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

January 29, 1961

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The Crown of Thorns is a Badge of Shame.



Cover The Thorns With a Life of Service —

- By Your Attendance
- By Your Witnessing

Give Christ First Place in Your Life

CROWN HIM KING

Dear Friends in Christ:

Our Church School is going to "CROWN CHRIST KING" during the period from February 12-March 26, 1961. During this period our theme will be "CROWN HIM KING." All over the Church you will see reminders of our great and supreme effort to make Him the King of our lives.

February 12, 1961 is "SIGN-UP-SUNDAY." Your teachers and officers have already committed themselves and they encourage you to do the same by being here and committing yourself to this greatest of all efforts to "CROWN HIM KING."

Each person will be given a "crown of thorns," and a segment of this crown will be covered for each Sunday that he attends. If you miss a Sunday, you may bring a visitor with you the next Sunday and receive your missing segment. Likewise, each class will be given a crown and a segment will be given for that class if it reaches its goal. The entire Church School will be given a "crown of thorns" and this crown will be covered IF WE REACH OUR GOAL EACH SUNDAY DURING THE CRUSADE. Stars will be given for each new member added to Church School and a beautiful, modern-art portrait will be given to each person who brings five visitors during this period.

Be in Church School next Sunday morning and your teacher will present the details. Let's all resolve **NOW** to "CROWN HIM KING."

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

JANUARY 29, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	410
Church School Attendance	388
Regular Church Offering	737.83
Building Fund Offering	178.45
Church School Offering	113.73

Total Offerings\$1030.01

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. A. J. Young, 507 Lower Huntington Rd. on Tuesday, February 7, at 1:00 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Young, Program by Mrs. Hugh Rice.

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Irene Kissinger, 1007 Northwood Blvd Monday evening, February 13, 6:30 P.M. Worship, Mrs. Albert Egly, Program, Mrs. Carter Palmer.

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Mildred Hartman, 301 E. Fleming Monday evening, February 13 at 8 P.M. Program, Miss Ethel Shroyer. Worship Mrs. Wm. Conrad and Miss Mildred Hartman.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Howard Overmyer, 920 Clayburn, Wednesday, February 8, at 8 P.M. Worship Mrs. Harold Crowder. Program by Mrs. Ben Taylor. A film, "Operation Abolition" will be shown.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Gail Hunt, 3122 Maple Lane, Tuesday, February 14 at 8 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Thomas Holloway, Program by Mrs. Dan Roth.

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CHI RHO

We had 20 in attendance last Sunday evening. This was a splendid group. Our offering was \$1.28. Next Sunday the Worship will be led by David Shockney. Choir practice at 5:30.



The blessings that come from God are the true rewards to the tither.

"see that ye abound in this grace..." 2 Cor. 8:7

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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, February 9, 1961

Number 19



CROWN HIM KING

Campaign Starts Sunday

MAKE CHRIST YOUR KING...IN EVERYTHING

- ✓ *Attend Every Sunday*
- ✓ *Help Enlist Others*

The Attendance Emphasis Provides a Superb Opportunity for you to Show Your Loyalty to Christ and His Church.

THE SUCCESS OF THE CAMPAIGN DEPENDS ON YOU

Isn't it great to be a part of a growing, and enthusiastic Bible School? Our Bible School attendance climbed to 417 last Sunday, and we are hoping to go over the 450 mark this Sunday as we begin our efforts in the "CROWN HIM KING" crusade. A long time ago our eternal Lord was crowned in mockery with a crown of thorns. We who are followers of the Son of God desire to remove the crown of mockery and crown Him King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Will you help us? Come to our great Bible School and study His Word! You will be enriched by Bible Study. You cannot grow in grace without a knowledge of His will. If you come and participate in this crusade you will

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be the victor, for you will receive the blessings He has promised.

"THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER"

For the past several years we have participated, as have thousands of other churches, in the Easter Offering of Thirty Pieces of Silver. Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of money, and we want to bring Jesus an offering of love of "Thirty Pieces of Silver". We would turn the original price of betrayal into an offering of love. You will receive your materials soon. This will be the grandest spring we have ever known. Signs of victory are all about us! We believe that our church and church-school will not be able to hold the enthusiastic people who will come to worship the Lord of Lords. Will you help us? Pray with us and for us?

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ALLAN FLOWERS WINS

FISHER BODY AWARD

Allan L. Flowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flowers of 334 West Fleming Ave., was named winner of a \$1,000 university scholarship in the Fisher Body Craftsman's Guild competition. Flowers achieved the scholarship by building a model automobile with outstanding styling concepts.

Having graduated from South Side High School in June, the young car designer is now attending the Illinois Institute of Technology. He previously won a freshman scholarship from the Fort Wayne Alumni Club.

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Our sincere congratulations go to Allan on these fine achievements, and for the honors he has won. Allan is one of our fine young men, a member of this Church.

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BOY SCOUTS

In honor of National Boy Scout Week, we should like all Boy Scouts in our Church to wear their uniforms at Morning Worship next Sunday. At this time they shall receive recognition.

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Lawrence Horn

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William Ganter

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Merland Heller

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Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The series of study will continue usual next Sunday evening at 5:30. The subject for discussion in the Class "Introduction To The Bible" will be: "Rewards and Responsibilities of Righteousness", led by Mr. David Hogg.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

CORRECTION — The Montgomery Circle will meet in the Office building of Fort Wayne Associated Churches, 6 U.S. 24, West, Tuesday, February 14. M. J. J. Farwell, Executive Secretary, will present the worship and program.

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Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
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Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	53	7.82
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	26	2.23
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CROWN HIM KING — NOW!

In keeping with the spiritual nature of the Church, this "CROWN HIM KING" crusade is grounded in the scriptures. The basic texts are Psalm 10:16, "The Lord is King for ever and ever"; and 1 Corinthians 10:31, "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God". Similar passages are Psalm 24:10b, "The Lord of hosts, He is the King of Glory" and Revelation 17:4b, "... He is the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings."

Not only is the crown THE SYMBOL OF CHRIST'S KINGSHIP, but also of His majesty, honor and glory. As an individual brings honor and glory to Christ's name he symbolically Crowns Him King. Scriptures setting forth these characteristics are: Romans 11:36, 1 Corinthians 6:20 and 10:31, Galatians 1:5, Ephesians 3:21, 1 Peter 4:11, 11 Peter 1:16-17, Jude 25 and Revelation 4:11 and 5:13.

NEXT SUNDAY IS "SIGN-UP-SUNDAY". To achieve maximum results for our lives we must make pledges to ourselves and to others. Here are six reasons why you should be present and sign up on February 12:

1. Because making a commitment to the Lord is Scriptural. (Psalms 37:5)
2. Because it helps the Christian put first things first. (Matthew 6:33)
3. Because signing a pledge card sharpens the conscience of personal responsibility.
4. Because experience has proved it to be a great help in reaching worthwhile objectives in the Lord's work.
5. Because its use provides one of the best available means for making certain each person is contacted.
6. Because it provides an accurate means of checking the enlistment efforts of the workers.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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"Twenty centuries of history are looking down upon you!" — this was the challenge of Napoleon to his soldiers drawn up before the Egyptian pyramids. When I partake of the Lord's Supper I feel the challenge not only of Him who gave His life for me, but of the twenty centuries of Christian martyrs who are looking down upon me. —J. H. Vincent.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

FEBRUARY 5, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	436
Church School Attendance	417
Regular Church Offering	983.35
Building Fund Offering	331.89
Church School Offering	127.00

Total Offerings\$1442.24

CROWN HIM KING

February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

February 12th Goal371

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other necessities are provided for her and
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Any member of the church wishing
share in this worthy project may do
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H-15244, or any member.

Your good used bedding or summer
clothing for girls or women will be greatly
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Coffee key strips and jar labels. Who-
ever enough have been collected they will be
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save these key strips and labels. They
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members.

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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Look around you—this is your home.
Rooms filled with things you need and
love, the center of your life. What would
it mean to you if, tomorrow, your home
was destroyed by an earthquake, swept
away by a flood, bombed by an enemy
plane? Millions of homeless, hungry, dis-
tressed people overseas are being helped
by the Protestant churches of America.
Help send them more food, clothing,
building materials, blankets, medicines.
Give to the One Great Hour of Sharing.
Appeal in your church.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

February 17, 1:30 P.M.

SALEM EVANGELICAL & REFORMED
CHURCH

2401 Lake Avenue
Mrs. J. J. Farwell, Speaker

Sponsored by
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MAKE CHRIST YOUR KING

In Everything

CROWN HIM KING OF YOUR LIFE

Demonstrate Your Love and Loyalty

By Your Attendance...

**Sunday is the Second Sunday
of the Attendance Emphasis**

**Be in Your Place
Bring a New Member**

LET'S MAKE IT 100% FOR CHRIST

Did you notice the Bible School attendance Sunday? That's right—447! And that as in spite of all the colds and flu that has been going around. Three of my own were at home because of the ole flu bug, but they are planning on being there Sunday, and many more are on the mend and our number ought to swell to beyond the 500 mark! You think we can have an Easter attendance in February? I do! Just you wait and see! But come and wait in our great Bible School!

Sunday's Sermon: "ALL LIFE IS IN OUR TODAYS" — Remember, every day is a little life, every night a little death, and we pass this way but once on our journey.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive will meet at 7:15 in the Chapel. General Meeting will follow at 8 o'clock, Tuesday evening, February 21. The Program, "That We Fail Not Man Nor Thee" will be given by Mrs. Gail Hunt; Worship by the Montgomery Circle members; Hospitality by Nelson Circle. Members of Higdon Circle will serve refreshments.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Little Steven Donelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Donelson is a patient in Parkview.

Mr. Harold Henry is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 568.

Mrs. George Sowers is in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 269.

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COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS

Mr. Shockney, Assistant to the Minister is interested in organizing Cottage Prayer Meetings thru-out the membership of church. We would like these meetings held in the homes and can be held either morning, afternoon or evenings. They will be about one hour in length. We should like to receive volunteers from our members who are willing to open their homes for one of these prayer services. We are looking forward to holding several of the meetings during the Pre-Easter Season. Please call the office if you wish make your home available.

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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

for

WEEK OF COMPASSION

Sunday, March 5, 1961

Laughter and children go together — a child doesn't laugh when he's begging his food in a city street, or when he has no blankets to keep him warm at night or when he's ill and there is no medicine to help him. Millions of children in Europe and Asia have no reason to laugh — you can give them one. Help your church send food, clothing, blankets, medicine overseas — give to the One Great Hour of Sharing Appeal. Eighty per cent of voluntary aid to the homeless, the hungry, the destitute, overseas is sent by churches of America.

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30 PIECES OF SILVER

You will have received this week, the mail, the "receptacle" and message for 30 Pieces of Silver. We will want bring Our Lord an offering of love. Your offering may be brought to the Church on Easter Sunday.



"CROWN HIM, CROWN HIM.

JESUS OUR BLESSED REDEEMER . . ."

Familiar words, they are. Many of us have heard and sung these words from our childhood to this present day. But many more know only the tune and can't remember the words. Or perhaps we sing the words without knowing the full meaning of them.

During the "CROWN HIM KING" crusade, we want to learn the words and the tune and translate them into living. The objective of the crusade is to strengthen our spiritual life and encourage others to become a part of "the fellowship."

The real foundation of any congregation must be spiritual . . . or else methods will be mere mechanics, organization will be a lifeless machine, evangelism will be a drive for numbers and the whole process will be the creation of a prestige program that will not carry its own weight, much less heal the aching heart of a groping world . . . The objective of the "CROWN HIM KING" crusade is awareness of our need for the presence and power of God . . . the experience of the transforming influence of worship and study . . . to help one another mature in the Christian life.

While building the wall at Jerusalem, Nehemiah was tempted to quit. But he replied to Sanbalat, "I am doing a great work and I cannot come down." Upon the completion of the wall, he said, "So we built the wall; and all the wall was joined together to half its height. For the people had a mind to WORK."

This season can be the most profitable one in our great Church's history. Let nothing interrupt you and in prayerful spirit continue to work that the walls of righteousness may be completed.

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FEBRUARY 12, 1961

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Church School Attendance	447
Regular Church Offering	885.89
Building Fund Offering	187.05
Church School Offering	149.77

Total Offerings\$1222.71



February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

February 19th Aim448

CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 in attendance last Sunday evening with an offering of \$1.27

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The subject for discussion in Mr. Hogg's Class next Sunday evening is: "The Judgment: The Destiny of Believers". Class convenes at 5:30 P.M. Refreshments at 6:30 P.M.

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THE CASE OF THE INTOXICATED CAT

by Jack Barron

I noticed several weeks ago in the newspaper a letter written by an unhappy woman who complained that her husband thought it funny to make their pet cat drunk by continually pouring gin in its milk. The distressed woman complained that she didn't think it was doing the cat a bit of good for the cat would dance like mad, stagger around in circles and finally fall in a heap in the corner and go to sleep. Besides, the woman reported, the cat was now losing all of her hair as a result of the gin diet and what did a cat look like without any hair?

Immediately letters poured into the newspapers from aroused readers all over the country denouncing the husband and suggesting various degrees of punishment for a man who would be so cruel to animals.

Perhaps I have a warped sense of humor, but the reactions of the readers struck me as ironically funny. Give an animal liquor and you are considered cruel. Give a man liquor and you are considered sophisticated. Let an animal reel, act foolish, fall in a drunken stupor and immediately it is an occasion for readers from coast to coast to howl protest. Let a man do the same thing and we simply ignore it.

We wouldn't give liquor to a dog. It is inhumane. Yet we give it to our sons and daughters, and with all of the advertising media at our command we continually encourage them to drink it. It's not fit for a dog or a cat but it is fit for our children.

How crazy can we get?



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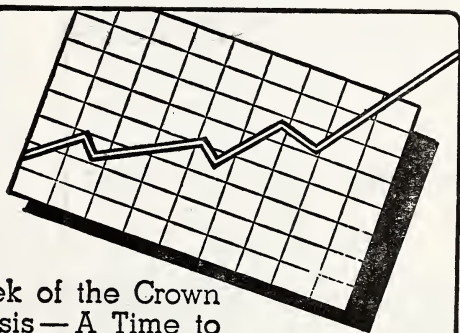
"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

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Number 21

Let's Break All Records



It's the Third Week of the Crown
Him King Emphasis—A Time to
Show Your Loyalty As We Set New
Records for Christ.

CROWN HIM KING

☆ By Your Attendance

☆ By Enlisting Others

EVERY MEMBER IN HIS PLACE

GUESS WHAT? After announcing the record attendance for any February date, we found out that there were 4 babies brought to the nursery after the roll book was sent out, therefore unless they blew in on the wind, there must have been at least 8 more in attendance than previously announced — that is, one adult for each baby brought to the nursery. Therefore, our attendance in Bible School last Sunday exceeded our EASTER attendance last year. And this Sunday — ? Well, we are planning on breaking all attendance records in our Bible School's history! CAN WE COUNT ON YOU?

Sunday's Sermon: "A MURDERER IN THE PASSION STORY"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving During February)

ELDERS: February 26th

Charles Billiard — Elmer Darwachter

DEACONS: For the Month —

Captain — Ted E. Bryan, T-0250

Harold Addison

Herdis Helmuth

Hendricks Love

Lawrence Horn

Max Finkhousen

William Ganter

Walter Keebortz

Merland Heller

Andrew Cook

Charles Speicher

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF will be hosts jointly with the Anthony Wayne Church of God Youth Association Sunday, February 26, at 4:30 P.M. A Worship discussion on "Our Relationship With God" will be led by Miss Ellen Crowder. After the meeting the two groups will go bowling.

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CHI RHO

There were 15 in attendance last Sunday, with Pat Casey as leader. Offering was \$00.00. Mr. Hendricks Love was the speaker. Next Sunday, Marlo Vanderwall will be the leader. This is "Shut in Visitation" day. Be at the Church at 3:00 P.M. Choir practice for Chi Rhos at 5:30 P.M.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

for
WEEK OF COMPASSION

Sunday, March 5, 1961

Last summer's headlines are easy to forget . . . we don't think much now about the earthquakes and floods in Chile last June. But the Salgado family cannot forget them. Their home was one of thousands shattered and swept away, the business that meant their living has never been able to start again. Food, medicine, clothing, temporary shelter provided by the churches of the United States are keeping them alive, and it will be a long time before they can be self-supporting again. There are millions of people like them all over the world, refugees, victims of other floods, droughts, wars, people trapped in never-ending poverty. Remember them . . . and give . . . when your Church asks for your help through the One Great Hour of Sharing appeal.

OUR PRAYER CORNER

At Parkview —

Mrs. Ronald Elliott, Room 228.

Mrs. Arthur S. Betz, Room 425.

Mr. Arthur Richardson.

Mrs. Orvil Shallenberger.

At Lutheran —

Mrs. S. Edw. Johnson, Room 127.

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Little Darlene Morrolf underwent a tonsillectomy last week.

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Baby Wasson has been ill at home.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. William Moffitt in the recent passing away of Mrs. Moffitt. We know that God will comfort him in this time of sorrow.

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SANCTUARY CHOIR

Last week the Choir members were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vanderwall in their home for our monthly coffee hour. A goodly number of the Choir attended and had an enjoyable time. This Coffee Hour is only one of the pleasures of being a Choir member, which is open to everyone.

We extend to everybody an invitation to come and sing with us.

LIFT UP YOUR LIFE, BY

LIFTING UP YOUR VOICE !



CROWN HIM KING
Of your Life

- By Faithful Service
- By Enlisting Others
- By Regular Attendance

ATTEND EVERY SUNDAY
In Everything
CROWN HIM KING

CROWN HIM KING — INVITE OTHERS TO STUDY AND WORSHIP WITH YOU!

Now is the time to invite that person attend Church School with you. You now, that person you are always thinking about when this subject comes up in our mind, is just waiting for an invitation from you. C. H. Towne once put it is way:

"Around the corner I have a friend
In this great city that has not end,
And he is lost — a fine, strong man,
But — he is lost! And I always plan
To speak to him about God's love,
Of Christ who came down from above,
And how He died on the cross to pay
The sinner's debt. I think each day
"Somehow I must speak my heart to Jim:
Tomorrow I'll have a talk with him."

"Tomorrow comes and crowding cares
Clutter my day with busy affairs.
The day is gone and again I vow
"Tomorrow I'll speak to Jim somehow."
For my friend is lost: he does not know
The peril he risks; he must not go
Year after year like this and die
Before I tell him how truly I
Desire to see him give Christ his heart,
Repent, believe, and make a new start.

"But tomorrow comes and tomorrow goes
And the distance between us grows and grows
Around the corner! Yet miles away . . .
"Here's a telegram, sir . . .
"Jim died today!"
While I delayed, thus came the end:
Jim lost a soul! Christ lost a friend!"

WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU AND
60 OTHERS THIS COMING SUNDAY AT
15 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

February 19, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	11	.80
Nursery Department	24	3.07
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	40	3.97
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	45	6.70
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	61	7.81
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	33	3.50
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	31	5.49
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.36
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	38	20.75
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	50	38.10
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	37	18.50
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	47	20.03
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	16	3.60
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	7.20
Officers	3	
Late Comers	8	
TOTALS	464	\$141.88

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

FEBRUARY 19, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	459
Church School Attendance	456
Regular Church Offering	834.71
Building Fund Offering	169.60
Church School Offering	141.88

Total Offerings\$1146.19



February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

February 26th Aim461

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. O. W. Jenkins, 515 E. Pettit, Thursday evening, March 2, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Roy Beal, Worship by Mrs. Robert Clipp.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. D. A. Parkerson, 3216 Crescent Avenue, Wednesday, March 1. Program by Mrs. Cecile Beck, Worship by Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. A. W. Mowery, 4131 Tacoma Ave., Wednesday, March 1, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Paul Truby, Worship by Mrs. Robert Ogles.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Eugene Klepfer, 806 Ardis Drive, Wednesday, March 1, 9:00 A.M. Program by Mr. Wm. Ganter, Worship by Mrs. Earl Plummer.

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WHAT THEY ARE SAYING

A generation of Southern Negro college students, too young to have learned the rutted paths of fear and too brave to heed the counsels of caution, is putting to the test its faith in religion and democracy. From Tidewater, Virginia to the Mississippi River, Negro students have staged sit-in demonstrations at lunch counters and public buildings to assert their rights to full equality. More than 1800 of the have already been arrested.

These Negro youths are not defensive protesting an isolated act of injustice such as a lynching or an unfair sentence. They are affirmatively moving out of a ghetto world to bear witness to the truths of their religion and take possession of the rights guaranteed them by the Constitution and the courts. It is impossible to understand the sit-in movement unless one comprehends the total religious commitment which these demonstrations express.

Wm. V. Shannon in The New York Post



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WEEK OF COMPASSION

(ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING)

Theme: "BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"

Next Sunday evening at 6:30 we shall "Break Bread Together" with a Carry-in Dinner. During the dinner hour we will bring a brief program on the Week of Compassion—it's purpose.

Every year—every day—every night—disaster stalks around the World, leaving a broad path of flood, poverty and death—the suffering millions at home and around the world need our help.

Every contributed dollar provides more than 300 pounds of food. This is a miracle of Christian sharing, of Christian compassion, and of Christian witness.

How much and how many we help, depends on YOU and ME.

Jesus said: "I was hungry and ye fed me — naked and ye clothed me".

Sunday, March 5th is the day when we are asked to bring our offering for The Week of Compassion.



IT'S GOING UP

New attendance records are being set in every activity of the church.

ARE YOU DOING YOUR PART?

CROWN HIM KING
BY YOUR ATTENDANCE

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES will be broadcast over Station WGL during the month of March.

SERMON:

"A Murderer in the Passion Story"

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Rufus Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroll

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

Wm. E. Franklin

Carl H. Thomas

Edwin R. Allen

Myron Cole

Romane Cole

Jack Sweeney

DEACONESS: for March —

Mrs. Paul Yentes

HOSPITALITY Chairman for March —

Mrs. Irene Cline

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STORK NEWS

A baby girl was born to Betty and Orvil Shallenberger last week. Their home is at 6025 Orchard Lane.

A little son has come to live with Ralph and Judy Church. This young man was born on February 25th.

Best wishes for these Babes and congratulations to the proud parents.

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CHI RHO

There were 15 young people out last Sunday with an offering of 72¢. Miss Diana Nordblom will be the worship leader this Sunday evening. Choir rehearsal is at 5:30 P.M.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Wm. LaPointe has been ill at his home, 205 E. Lexington Ct.

At this writing our beloved minister is at his home recuperating from a cold and throat infection which has been troubling him for several weeks. Our prayers go out to him for a speedy recovery and we hope to see him at his desk again in a very few days.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mr. George Wascovich, Smith Road, Wednesday evening, March 8, at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. James Cain, worship by Mrs. L. R. Mote.

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. W. J. Marks, 4705 Lafayette Esplanade, Tuesday, March 7, at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. M. G. Heller, worship by Mrs. Robert Scott.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Beginning next Sunday morning during the Church School Assembly at 9:15 A.M. a member of the Christian Youth Fellowship will give a brief biography of a noted Bible character. Miss Deborah Lov will speak on the life and works of the Prophet Daniel.

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SANCTUARY CHOIR

In the coming months the Choir will undertake some great music which they will present for your enjoyment.

There is our Easter service, and for later on in the Spring, a Minstrel Show is being planned.

Now to do all of these we need our loyal Choir members, plus many new voices. We would like to have a full Voice Choir for Easter, that we may magnify HIS Holy Day.

So for you lovers of Music and Voice come and join us. Rehearsals are every Thursday night at 7:30.

"Our voices belongs
Singing God's sweet songs".

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mr. Wm. Ganter and his family in the recent loss of Mr. Ganter's Father. We know God will comfort and sustain them in their hour of sorrow.

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Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church High School Department	30	4.01
James Naile, Teacher College Class	4	.90
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher The "58" Class	29	14.25
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block Home-Double Class	49	23.10
James R. Shockney Stanley Cole Omer Guingrich Robert Perkins Mrs. Carl Thomas Seaman Class	37	17.08
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich Progressive Class	43	20.75
Hugh D. Rice Wm. Caldwell Elmer Darwacher Mrs. Paul Whitton Friendly Class	9	2.00
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CROWN HIM KING —

IN OUR DEEPER EXPERIENCES

Life has a way of compounding all our experiences, even those which we transcend and think we have left behind. Instead of leaving them behind, they go along with us, expanding or constructing our natures. Our sufferings never leave us the same even though we are relieved of the pain of them. Our defeat deposits something in our hearts which remains to qualify every subsequent victory we may win. Our doubt, if it was really a poignant and radical questioning of God's goodness, tempers and softens the most triumphant faith which we may ever attain. To have been tempted in the true sense, and to have fallen, or to have been on the guilty point of falling, gives its own ineradicable quality to our strength of character.

This cumulative experience and principle in life is more than memory though conscious memory is a part of it. Happiness may come to us, and faith, and strength, but they are different from that which they would have been had we not suffered or doubted or fallen.

It is because we are different. The vessel has been shaped and re-shaped by the struggles and strains and failures which it has experienced. The vessel — which is ourself — has been made more strong or more frail, more shallow or more deep, more hard or more sensitive, by the wine with which it has been filled. We cannot throw any of the wine of life away! We cannot leave any of the substance of experience behind! Even our wrongdoing, our sin, though it be fully forgiven, remains with us. It remains as forgiveness!

To be forgiven is not to go back to the innocency which preceded our guilt — it is to go forward into the deeper experience which Christianity knows as divine grace. The grace of God removes our accountability for our sins. Many times we must live with the consequences for life.

The genius of the Christian Fellowship is that it will not permit us to "skip over" anything and be done with it, or fling it away and forget it. It transforms all things, even the most untoward, into ultimate and ineffable good.

Why not share the cumulative results of your life's experiences in the "FELLOWSHIP OF LEARNING" here at the Church School Hour next Sunday morning at 9:15 A.M.? Crown Him King and make Him the Lord of your Life's total experiences.

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FEBRUARY 26, 1961

Church Worship Attendance 347
Church School Attendance 408
Regular Church Offering 783.00
Building Fund Offering 231.00
Church School Offering 114.45
Week of Compassion 10.00

Total Offerings\$1138.55



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February 26th Aim461

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Following the study period at 6:30 P.M. the members of the Church will enjoy carry-in supper in Fellowship Hall.

Members whose last name falls in the alphabet between "A thru I" are asked to bring a hot vegetable; "J thru Q" will bring dessert; and those from "R thru Z" will bring a salad. You are reminded to bring sufficient of your dish in proportion to the number in your family so that there will be food for all.

ALSO: PLEASE BRING TABLE SERVICE

The Come-Double Class members are in charge of arrangements. The meat, bread, coffee and milk for the children will be furnished.

A fine program is being planned for the dinner hour. March 5th has been set aside as the Sunday when we will highlight the "Week of Compassion", an annual event in the program of the Church when Christians are given an opportunity to share with the less fortunate of the world.

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What would you do if you answered your phone and a voice said "Help me, I'm hungry!" Millions overseas can't do your number—but they are calling for your help. They are refugees, victims of war, flood, earthquake, drought, and desperate poverty. Answer that call for their hearts—help your church secure more food, clothing, medicines, build more homes, orphanages, hospitals. Give to the One Great Hour of Sharing Appeal through your church this year.

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— TWO SERVICES —

Palm Sunday and Easter:

Early Service 8:00 A.M.

Church School 9:15 A.M.

Second Service 10:30 A.M.

PRIMER: "EXCEPT YOU BE BORN ANEW"

CROWN HIM KING —

BY YOUR ATTENDANCE AT WORSHIP

It has been said, and rightly so, that "worship is the growing edge of the soul of man." It is through this act that man bursts forth from a spiritual cocoon and rises to heavenly heights on the wings of faith. Archbishop said "This only is man's true good . . . to worship." The great poet, Oliver Wendell Holmes, put it this way: "There is a little plant called reverence in the corner of my soul's garden, which I love to have watered once a week."

Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick has said, "As every one of us must have experienced, recovery of morale is not commonly associated with uproar but with quiet places." Jesus commended private worship, but he **NEVER** condemned public worship in the attitude of sincerity. Public worship was a part of His life.

Plan to worship God this coming Sunday at 10:30 A.M. **CROWN HIM KING** with your presence at the Worship Hour. "What greater calamity can fall upon a people than the loss of worship!" said Thomas Carlyle.

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CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday Evening, March 30

7:30 P.M.

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THREE HOUR SERVICES

GOOD FRIDAY

12 Noon to 3:00 o'clock

Three Hour services on Good Friday will be held in First Christian Church.

"The Cross was intended as a thing of degradation, but Jesus made it a thing of dignity."

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There's enough Christian talk in this world to reform a dozen worlds, but not enough Christian action to reform one world.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

(Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Fellowship Guild will meet w Mrs. O. R. Kuhlman, 4125 Warsaw St., Monday evening, March 13 at 8 P.M. T program will be presented by Mrs. Dona Smith and Miss Mildred Hartman. Worsh by Miss Pearl Heidecker.

The Montgomery Circle will meet w Mrs. Paul Yentes, 3301 Sandpoint R Tuesday evening, March 14 at 8 P.M. M Frank Moody is assistant Hostess. Progr by Mrs. Jack Williams, Worship by M Robert Rayl.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

In the School for Christian Living ne Sunday evening, Mr. Hogg's Class w discuss "The Millennium, the Judgeme Life After Death According to Noah, specified in the Bible." Those not att ing other classes are cordially invited.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 P. The Come-Double Class is in charge.

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Are you very weary? Rest a little bit. In some quiet corner, fold your hands a sit,

Do not let the trials that have grieved y all the day

Haunt this quiet corner; drive them away!

Let your heart grow empty of eve thought unkind

That peace may hover round you, and j may fill your mind.

Count up all your blessings, I'm sure th are not few,

That the dear Lord daily just bestows you.

Soon you'll feel so rested, glad you stopp a bit,

In this quiet corner, to fold your han and sit.

—Anonymous

"Whatsoever ye do,
do all to the glory of God"

1 Cor. 10:31

CROWN HIM KING

During The Attendance Emphase

CROWN HIM KING —

BY UNDERSTANDING JESUS

For my Lenten devotions, I was reading the book, "CHRIST AND THE CHRISTIAN," by Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre'. It is a wonderful book dealing with the nature of Jesus as He seeks to relate God and man to one another and to bring about a new race of people, the "God-men."

The Lenten Season serves to emphasize the two most important facts about the life of Jesus — His death and His resurrection. And this is precisely what Dr. Ferre' deals with in the chapter of "The Atonement."

In this chapter, Dr. Ferre' says: "The Kingship of Jesus was his becoming obedient unto death, suffering not by and for himself, but with and for His people. His suffering was more profound yet. Jesus identified himself, above all, with God, for He knew God to be love and he knew himself to be the 'Son of His love.' Such identification went all the way into the combat with man's sin. Jesus entered the deep, dark places of man's hiding from God. He tore the veil from men's eyes and ended falsifications. People's hatred for Jesus and falsifications. People's hatred for Jesus was therefore their hatred for God."

The author further points out the unity that existed between God and Jesus and He underscores the oneness of Jesus in relation to people suffering in sin. For this, Jesus suffered the consequences of their sins. "Jesus assumed their guilt, accepted their suffering, and offered them the eternal victory of his union with God."

We are challenged by the statement: "Our basic decision in life is whether we are to appropriate the stream of original sin, justifying ourselves by means of it, perhaps largely in terms of religious or idealistic camouflages, or whether we are willing to take up the Cross of redemptive suffering, becoming God's means to channel into human history His saving grace."

Make Jesus the King of your life, not the court jester of your limited domain. See you Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

March 5, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	.55
Nursery Department	27	3.47
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	34	4.32
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	37	5.01
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	58	9.19
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	30	4.46
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	30	5.54
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	7	2.25
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	40	25.50
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	45	24.52
James R. Shockney Stanley Cole Omer Guingrich Robert Perkins Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	45	21.24
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	48	23.36
Hugh D. Rice Wm. Caldwell Elmer Darwachter Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	19	6.25
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	8.00
Officers	4	
TOTALS	452	\$153.70

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

MARCH 5, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	430
Church School Attendance	452
Regular Church Offering	1001.98
Building Fund Offering	516.05
Church School Offering	153.70
Week of Compassion	192.00
30 Pieces of Silver	2.40

Total Offerings\$1866.13



February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

March 12 Aim461

CHI RHO CORNER

There 19 in attendance with an offering of 73c. Jan Vanderwall will be Worship leader next Sunday. Choir practice at 5:30.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class is having Class party Saturday, March 11th at 7:4 P.M., in Fellowship Hall of the Church.

Mr. Ezra Stoller of Woodburn, Indiana will show slides of life behind the Iron Curtain in Russia.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Gerald Renner, sister to Miss Ruth Yost is critically ill in the LaGrange Hospital.

Mrs. Gordon Welker's father, Mr. Howard Dancer, is a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

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SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Choir is considering the purchase of new robes and stoles, looking to the future when they hope to have a 50 voice choir.

Now we do need 50 people to wear these robes!

We often hear these comments: "The Choir sounds so professional, I don't think I sing well enough to be a part of it." Well, we Choir members naturally are flattered but in answer we say, "we are not professionals, but we do love to sing especially under the direction of Mr. Wetzel and with Mrs. Scott as organist. We may sound professional, but actually we are only servants of God, using the voices He gave us as we best know how.

Why don't YOU come to practice on Thursday night at 7:30 P.M. and share with us a wonderful experience open to all.



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

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Number 24



MEET YOUR FRIENDS AT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Christian fellowship is one of the joys you will find through regular attendance here.

But friendship with Jesus surpasses all human ties. His companionship is yours for the asking. "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command."

**YOU NEED THE SUNDAY SCHOOL
THE SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS YOU**

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES will be broadcast over Station WGL during the month of March,

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— **TWO SERVICES** —
Palm Sunday and Easter:

Early Service 8:00 A.M.

Church School 9:15 A.M.

Second Service 10:30 A.M.

Self-satisfaction is a distinctly Christian principle, and it is that which distinguishes Christianity from every other religion of the world. No other religion is based on self-sacrifice. "Know thyself," said Buddha. "Deny thyself," said Jesus. A candle has no glory and gives no light when it is not burning. A man amounts to nothing when he saves himself. The real test of life is self-sacrifice.

SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Choirs of First Christian will present "The Seven Last Words" by Dubois, on the evening of March 26 at 7:30.

The Choir members were guest of Rev. and Mrs. Wascovich one evening last week for the regular monthly Coffee Hour. It was an enjoyable evening. A short business meeting was held when some problems and projects were discussed. This Social Hour is one of the pleasures shared by Choir members and again, we open our doors to extend an invitation to those who love to sing to join us on Thursdays at 7:30, for rehearsal. Our goal is 50 Voices for the Choir, and we would enjoy exceeding that mark. So come, "Sing along, with us God's Song."

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Sacrificial Service

The CWF will have their Annual Sacrificial Service on the Fourth Tuesday, evening of this month, March 28, at 7:30 P.M. in the Sanctuary of the Church.

The Program will be given by Mrs. Lloyd Stubbins, who is a member of Forest Park Methodist Church, Mrs. Stubbins will present, "The Symbol of A Cross."

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MAKE CHRIST YOUR KING

In Everything

The Attendance Emphasis is a time for you to show your loyalty

○ BY YOUR ATTENDANCE

○ BY BRINGING OTHERS

CROWN HIM KING

Make for yourself a treasure box

But not for gems and gold -

Fill it with things more rare and fine,

As full as it will hold.

Into it place your kindly thoughts,

Your love, your tenderness,

Your joys, your charity, your hopes,

Your faith that God will bless.

And then when dark days come along

And your bright prospects mar,

Open the treasure box and see

How very rich you are!

— Harvey Peake

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving During March)

ELDERS: March 19th

David Griggs — Maxwell Smith

DEACONS: For the Month of March

Captain — John J. Jefferies, T-34414

Robert Chevalier

Rufus Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroll

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

Wm. E. Franklin

Carl H. Thomas

Edwin R. Allen

Myron Cole

Romane Cole

Jack Sweeney

DEACONESS: for March —

Mrs. Paul Yentes

HOSPITALITY Chairman for March —

Mrs. Irene Cline

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E A S T E R

CHURCH SCHOOL GOALS

Class	Att.	Offerings
Men's Class	15	\$100.
Ladies' Bible Class	7	20.
Friendly Class	26	40.
Progressive Class	50	150.
Berean Class	50	125.
Come-Double Class	70	150.
The '58 Class	50	100.
College Class	10	10.
High School Class	35	20.
Junior High Dept.	35	10.
Junior Dept.	70	35.
Primary Dept.	55	15.
Kindergarten	40	10.
Nursery Dept.	35	10.
Babies & Toddlers	20	2.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Next Sunday evening Mr. Hogg's Class will discuss the interesting subject "Satan, Retribution, Angels".

Refreshments will be served by the Bereans.



CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

March 12, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	16	.55
Nursery Department	26	2.95
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	44	5.00
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom Mr. & Mrs. Ted Bryan Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Uhl		
Primary Department	40	4.26
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	63	8.64
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz Mrs. Harold W. Crowder Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	32	2.79
Mr. William Franklin Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	31	6.60
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	2.25
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
the "58" Class	46	22.00
J. E. Weicker J. Carl Smith Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	57	26.00
James R. Shockney Stanley Cole Omer Guingrich Robert Perkins Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seafan Class	40	19.62
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	44	25.50
Hugh D. Rice Wm. Caldwell Elmer Darwachter Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	15	4.75
Mrs. Albert Egly Mrs. A. N. Shockney Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	6.75
Officers	4	
TOTALS	473	\$138.41

CROWN HIM KING —

BY LIVING WHAT WE UNDERSTAND

Isn't it strange that we live on such a lowly plane of life when the eternal glories can be ours just for price of decision? Isn't it odd that we choose to live in the mire rather than dwell in our Father's House of Love?

The human mind possesses almost infinite capacities, but how often do we relegate our actions to the animal, beastly level? Picture in your mind, if you will, a pack of hungry jackals gnawing at the flesh of some wounded prey. Notice how the stronger ones approach the victim first, leaving the weaker ones to eat last. Here is a demonstration of the "first law of nature" — self-preservation.

It has been said by people who should know that the most intelligent of all have only employed about ten per cent of the total capacity of the brain and intellect. Certainly we all possess a greater capacity for learning than we normally assume. But this is not the question that concerns me so much.

What are we doing with what we now know and take for granted? Are we mutilating and twisting it in such a fashion that we return in mentality to the animal level of living? Or is our intelligence being translated into action upon the God-like level of life?

Our very spiritual natures depend upon this! Now we are at the very heart and core of Christian Education. Of course, the pertinent facts of Christian living need to be stressed and even memorized. But this is only one facet of the entire picture. If we see only this we fail to grasp the total significance of the coming of Christ, His death and His resurrection.

The purpose of Christian Education in the Church is more than dispensing spiritual facts. It is more than just amassing ideas that will thrill us only for the moment they enter our minds and then remain dormant under the surface of everyday action. The great and crying need of our world today is **TRANSLATORS**, and by that I do not mean men who will reword the original tongues of the Bible into modern language. I mean men and women, boys and girls who will translate the facts of the written and spoken Word into "epistles written in the heart."

The purpose of Christian Education is to assist people in growing relationships of understanding and living by what we understand. "To whom much is given, much is required." See you Sunday at 9:15 and 10:30 A.M.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

MARCH 12, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	437
Church School Attendance	473
Regular Church Offering	970.03
Building Fund Offering	164.00
Church School Offering	138.36
Week of Compassion	82.50

Total Offerings\$1354.89



February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

March 19 Aim475

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Little Miss Sue Sweeney has been ill
with Nine day measles. We were happy
to see Craig Wascovich out last Sunday
after several days of illness.

Edward Johnson has been a patient in
Lutheran Hospital.

We are happy to report that Mrs. Arthur
Betz has returned home from the hospital

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STORK NEWS

Timothy has come to live with Mr. and
Mrs. Don Somers. He was born on March
12. Congratulations and best wishes to
Timothy and his parents.

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CHI RHO CORNER

The attendance last Sunday was 20 with
an offering of \$1.48. Worship leader next
week will be Judy Cole.

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COTTAGE PRAYER SERVICES

Several of our families have indicated
their willingness to open their homes for
a prayer service. These meetings will be
about an hour in length. Please call the
Church office if you would like to be host
for a prayer service during this time.

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CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday Evening, March 30
7:30 P.M.

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THREE HOUR SERVICES
GOOD FRIDAY



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 23, 1961

Number 25

Sunday
is

CROWN HIM KING
Day



Let's Make it a Real Time
of Victory as we Set New
Attendance Records for
the Lord.

It's The High Day of Our Attendance Emphasis

GOD IS COUNTING ON YOU

TO MAKE IT A DAY OF TRIUMPH

MAKE CHRIST YOUR KING... IN EVERYTHING

Friends:

Sunday should find every believing Christian in the Study and Worship services of Church. Let us reach our goal of 500 in the Bible School, and let us fill to capacity of our worship services. The order of services Sunday will be

8:00 - 9:10 — WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 - 10:15 — The Church At Study

10:30 - 11:40 — The Church At Worship

Sermon: "TRIUMPHANT LOSING! IMMORTAL FINDING!"

(Continued on next page)

Then if you plan on hearing our great choir sing, "The Seven Last Words", I Dubois, Sunday evening at 7:30 P.M. you better plan on coming early enough to get a seat. Last year we had a filled sanctuary for the choir production. If we charge \$5 per seat, it would still be worth your while; so why not make every effort to be here when the choir presents in their own inimical manner this great production — as you needn't even bring your pocketbook. Man, one doesn't find many bargains like that in this age, now does he?

Let's pray for a tremendous response to the will of God in this day of great need

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving During March)

ELDERS: Early Service: 8:00 A.M.

James R. Shockney — Harry Harman

Second Service: 10:30 A.M.

Dr. A. C. Worley — Robert Clipp

DEACONS: For the Month of March

Captain — John J. Jefferies, T-34414

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Richard Block

Garland Morrolf

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Patients in:

Lutheran Hospital —

Robert Young, Room 215

Ward Bundy

Mrs. Ben Taylor

Parkview Hospital —

Mrs. Esther Gibson

St. Joseph's Hospital —

Mrs. Mary Wagner, Room 674

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IN SYMPATHY

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Orpha Yost and Miss Ruth Yost in the recent loss of daughter and sister, Mrs. Gerald Renner of Ligonier. May this family be comforted in their hour of sadness.

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 present last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Harold Crowder was the speaker. Worship next Sunday will be led by the sponsor, Mrs. Hendricks Love. Sunday is also Visitation Day. Chi Rhos will meet at the church at 6:00 P.M.

CROWN HIM KING —

IN TRAGEDY AND TRIUMPH

Contemplating the last earthly day of our Master, we are made aware of the wavering situation in which He lived. It would seem as though we were duplicating this event in every day life here and now. One day we see Him riding in Jerusalem triumphantly, the next scene shifts to a mood of sorrow and sadness from there to the paragon of brutality. But the scene changes before the final act. The half has only been told. The ultimate climax of Easter is awaiting to unfold and blossom forth into beauty and splendor.

How right we are when we recognize the familiarity of the faces at the triumphal entry, the Last Supper, His trial, crucifixion and resurrection. It seems as though we are there, doesn't it? An old Negro spiritual asks the question, "Were you there?" And we must answer, "Yes, was there."

Theologically, we are involved with Palm Sunday, and its enthusiasm that was short-lived. We are involved with other factors of the holy week experiences. Most of these involvements were of our own choosing. In the crucifixion, we are involved by God's choice. The whole world must stand at the foot of the cross and make a choice. We cannot escape our involvement by a mere accident of time relegating the crucifixion to a place in the first century of Christian existence. Just because we did not live then and there does not release us from the choice we must make.

Yes, contemporary life has its Calvaries, its Palm Sundays, its Upper Rooms, its Gethsemanes and its Courts of Herod. It has its resurrection Sundays that say to us that the ultimate victory in life belongs to those who live and die in faith, choosing to suffer affliction for a righteous cause rather than enjoy the delicacies of worldliness and conformity to evil for a season.

See you Sunday in Church and Church School.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister



E A S T E R CHURCH SCHOOL GOALS

	Att.	Offering
Men's Class	15	\$100.00
Widies' Bible Class	7	20.00
Friendly Class	26	40.00
Progressive Class	50	150.00
Crean Class	50	125.00
Come-Double Class	70	150.00
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College Class	10	10.00
High School Class	35	20.00
Junior High Dept.	35	10.00
Junior Dept.	70	35.00
Primary Dept.	55	15.00
Kindergarten	40	10.00
Nursery Dept.	35	10.00
Babies & Toddlers	20	2.00

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EASTER CANTATA

"SEVEN LAST WORDS" by Dubois
March 26, 7:30 P.M.

The Festival Choir will present "The Seven Last Words" written by Theodore Dubois, Palm Sunday evening at 7:30 in the Church Sanctuary.

This beautiful and inspiring cantata was last presented by the choir several years ago and has been selected for presentation again this year at the request of many persons who heard it at that time.

Featured in the cantata are the voices of Janet Weicker, soprano; Bob Cocherille, tenor and Carl Smith, bass. A Postlude, "The Old Rugged Cross," will be sung by the Youth Chorus.

The Nursery will be open for small children. Plan now to attend and bring your friends with you.

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SANCTUARY CHOIR

We wish to say, "thank you" once more to Rev. and Mrs. Wascovich for their hospitality at our last Coffee Hour.

At that time dates were set for our instrumental Show to be given this Spring. These will be announced later.

Sunday evening's presentation of the "Seven Last Words" by the Choir will be our climax for the season.

We hope you will be present.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING IS
OVER FOR THE SEASON

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

March 19, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	.80
Nursery Department	28	3.73
Mrs. James Hirschy Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	36	5.11
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks Mrs. Harold Nordblom Mrs. Robert Westerfield Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Primary Department	44	3.97
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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For children in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades.

YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

Church Worship Attendance	418
Church School Attendance	442
Regular Church Offering	723.24
Building Fund Offering	139.00
Church School Offering	139.08
30 Pieces of Silver	1.00

Total Offerings\$1002.32



February 12 — March 26

Average Goal366

March 26 Aim475

SACRIFICIAL SERVICE

Sponsored by

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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The Program will be given by Mrs. Lloyd Stubbins, who is a member of Forest Park Methodist Church, Mrs. Stubbins will present, "The Symbol of A Cross."

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122 ANNUAL CONVENTION

of

Christian Churches in Indiana

will be held at

Central Christian Church

Anderson, April 13-16, 1961

Pre-Registration Fee — Adult \$1.50.
Youth 50c

Pre-registration cards with money order or check, should be mailed before April 5 to the Association of the Christian Churches, 212 So. Downey Ave., Indianapolis, 19... OR...

Pre-registrations may be made through the Church office. Please see the Church Secretary before April 3. Registration fees at the Convention will be \$2.00. The Convention is close at hand, at an ideal time, First Christian should have a large representation there. Mark the dates, April 13-16, on your calendar. 4,000 is the registration goal of the Convention this year.

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Dear to the heart of the Christian world is the story of Christ's one day of triumph. The Church rejoices because even for one brief day he was hailed on earth as King.

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CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday Evening, March 30

7:30 P.M.

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THREE HOUR SERVICES

GOOD FRIDAY



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

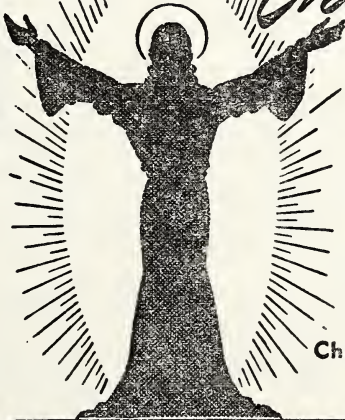
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Number 26



Christ Lives...

Easter means more than the fact that Christ Arose from the dead.

**HE SEEKS TO RULE,
REIGN AND FILL
YOUR LIFE TODAY**

**Christ Came Forth From the Dead
To Bring You Life Anew**

MID SORROW AND STRIFE CHRIST BRINGS NEW LIFE

Friends in Christ:

Once again the high and holy faith comes winging its way into our hearts — that our Lord is risen from the dead! Risen indeed! His triumph is a promise to us that death will not succeed in conquering those whose lives are covered in the shadow of the cross.

There were nearly 600 in the two worship services this past Sunday, and 505 in the School. The evening service saw a large attendance at the beautiful presentation

(Continued on next page)

of Dubois's, The Seven Last Words.

Now for the extra in our faith! Let us fill our sanctuary twice, even overflow in the chapel if need be, and let us work and pray for at least 600 in our Bible School any day in all of Christendom should do it, it ought to be Easter.

Sermon: "FRIEND, WHY WEEPEST THOU?" Two identical services: 8:00 and 10:30 A.

30 PIECES OF SILVER EASTER OFFERING FOR 1961

May we suggest to those who plan to bring their "30 Pieces of Silver" offering to Church School, please mark the amount on the attached name card. This will greatly help the Church School Secretary and also be helpful in giving your account due credit. We will appreciate your co-operation. Thank you.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Monthly Circle Meetings)

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Wm. Crouse, 6502 So. Calhoun St., Tuesday, April 4, at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Minnie Kemper; Worship by Mrs. L. H. Higgins.

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain, 2903 Capitol, Wednesday, April 5, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. John Hoop; Worship, Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Paul Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St. Thursday evening, April 6, at 7:45 P.M. Mrs. Robert Clipp will be co-hostess, and will give the program. Worship by Mrs. O. W. Jenkins.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Lutheran Hospital:

Mrs. Rosemary Williams, Room 310.

Mr. Robert Keithley, Room 572.

Parkview Hospital:

Mrs. Alice Denton, Room 308.

Mrs. John W. Williams' father, Mr. J. W. Peery is seriously ill in University Hospital, Charlottesville, Va.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mr. Homer Stevenson in the recent loss of his father.

We also wish to express sincere sympathy to Mrs. A. N. Shockney in the loss of her brother, Mr. N. A. Wilkerson, Winchester.

May these fine folk and their families be comforted and sustained in their hour of sadness.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE (Officers Serving during April)

ELDERS: Early Service: 8:00 A.M.

James R. Shockney — Harry Harman

Second Service: 10:30 A.M.

William Caldwell — Maxwell Smith

DEACONS: For Month of April

Captain: Stephen H. Blaising, H-2256

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Leon H. Johns

Arza Smith

Robert Hendricks

Howard Howell

John F. Hechler

John Varner

Thomas Thornbury

Omer Guingrich

Wm. Vunora

Earl Plummer

Robert Ogles

Richard Vanderwall

DEACONESS: For April —

Mrs. Wm. Crouse

HOSPITALITY: Chairman for April —

Mrs. Wm. Caldwell

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C.Y.F. EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST

The Christian Youth Fellowship will have an Easter Morning Sunrise Breakfast, 7 o'clock in Fellowship Hall. This Service is for all young people of High School age. The meal will be 35c. There will be a fine program with Rev. John Williams as speaker. Miss Elaine Cole is Program chairman; Miss Sue Mowery is in charge of food; Miss Carolyn Ripple, decoration.

There will not be a meeting for CYF on Easter Sunday evening.

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 12 Chi Rhos present last Sunday. They had an offering of 70¢. CHI RHO WILL NOT MEET THIS SUNDAY.

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EASTER LILIES

Those wishing to do so, may send the lilies to the Church on Saturday to be used Easter morning in the Chancel.

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On Easter the Church strikes the note of praise and sings of victory. Faith overcomes the world and its sorrows, and sees the Celestial City shining beyond the river.

Those who have given Christ a place in their hearts know He has risen from the dead, because He lives in them.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

March 26, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	17	.55
Nursery Department	30	3.06
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	48	4.75
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	41	4.86
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	65	9.49
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	30	3.15
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	31	4.55
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.60
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	44	34.50
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	51	33.60
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	52	22.22
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	50	25.60
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	19	5.85
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.33
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	13	9.50
Officers	4	
TOTALS	505	\$164.53



EASTER CHURCH SCHOOL GOALS

Class	Att.	Offering
Men's Class	15	\$100.00
Ladies' Bible Class	7	20.00
Friendly Class	26	40.00
Progressive Class	50	150.00
Berean Class	50	125.00
Come-Double Class	70	150.00
The '58 Class	50	100.00
College Class	10	10.00
High School Class	35	20.00
Junior High Dept.	35	10.00
Junior Dept.	70	35.00
Primary Dept.	55	15.00
Kindergarten	40	10.00
Nursery Dept.	35	10.00
Babies & Toddlers	20	2.00

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Last Sunday, several people came to me and asked, "Is the CROWN HIM KING" crusade over"? And my reply is, "No, it will never be over." The seventh Sunday in the crusade has come and gone, but we shall never cease to CROWN HIM KING. Christ is an eternal KING!

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OFFICIAL BOARD

The April Board meeting has been postponed to the evening of Tuesday, April 11th, at 8 P.M. at the Church.

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Sunday, April 2, 1961

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

March 26, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	588
Church School Attendance	505
Regular Church Offering	917.82
Building Fund Offering	195.21
Church School Offering	164.53
30 Pieces of Silver	61.00

Total Offerings\$1338.56



EASTER — APRIL 2
GOAL 550

CROWN HIM KING FOREVER

We are in the midst of the observance of the last week of the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ on this earth. We will gather at the Communion Table, journey to the Cross and witness the power of His Resurrection. But the vital lesson of it is lost if we remain as spectators.

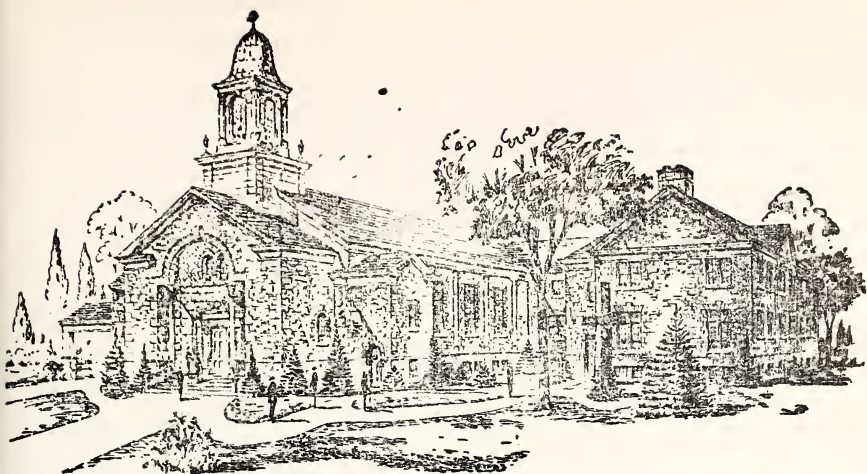
There was once a scholarly young man who ardently hoped to win the esteem of a certain young woman. But, alas, she remained singularly unimpressed. What is more, she never permitted the occasions of privacy he deemed necessary to advance his cause. One day while driving past a lake he observed another couple getting into a sailboat. The girl, after seating herself gracefully in the stern, placed a picnic basket at her feet. The man skillfully hoisted the sail. In a few minutes they were off, white sail against the blue sky. The heart of the eager and studious youth leaped with hope as he watched.

Being a young man of scholarly habits and having great confidence in the wisdom conveyed by books, he went to the library to study the art of sailing. He learned all that the books and pictures could teach.

At last came the bright day when he in turn took his beloved to the lake. She got in the sailboat, seated herself daintily, and placed the picnic basket at her feet. He hoisted the sail with manly confidence and competence, and off they went. But at that time a speedboat roared past with a mighty wake. This happened to coincide with an unexpected gust of wind. And, alas, the long anticipated occasion was lost, for the young man instantly learned that there is a vast difference between reading about sailing and actually sailing. His experience should remind us of people who spend all their time merely reading, talking, arguing, wishing and yearning about religion. They get nowhere because they do not relate their desire to action.

Jesus understood this principle when He called men to take up their crosses and follow Him. Unless Christian Education relates our lives to the Cross of Jesus through action of like type, it is barren, unfruitful and is "thenceforth fit to be cast out and trodden under foot by men."

John W. Williams, Associate Minister



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

After the glory of the Easter season one knows something of what it means to be friends in Christ." The Thursday evening communion service was an inspiration that will bless our lives long after the Easter glow has subsided. The Good Friday services were the best we have ever held. And what words can describe the glory of our Easter services? I came away with the same feeling of exaltation as I did the recent morning when I noticed the first green flush of life in my rose bushes! Gratitude for life which has continued beyond the winter of death, the joy at the promise of unutterable radiance and glory, should be singing in every heart! Thank God for special occasions of uplifting grace.

My deepest longing is to find the Easter power for daily living. If only together we can find the power that places a Father's face behind every shadow, and above every grief and heartache, a Father's shepherding care — what wonderful things can happen to our hearts and homes, our lives and loves! Let's press on to make the glorious Easter Power and Presence our daily joy and peace.

Pentecost is just seven weeks away. Pentecost celebrates the fact of the founding of the Church by the power of the Risen and Ascended Christ. Let us make the victory of Easter only a stepping stone to even greater things for the Christ of Easter. On Pentecost we will celebrate the continuing presence of Christ in the family of men! We shall work for victories in Christ, that the work of Christ shall be victorious! Work and pray and give as though this were the very last opportunity for your participation in the cause of Christ.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

The Church of Jesus Christ must be committed not only to sharing the love of Christ within itself but it must inject that love into the entire world. The historian, Arnold J. Toynbee, says: "Western civilization cannot preserve its freedoms without re-establishing its religious foundations; and God's love is the only foundation on which man's freedom can stand."

We cannot be friends with God on any other terms than complete obedience to Him, and this includes being "friends with our fellowman." Jesus said emphatically that it was impossible for us to be at peace with God and at variance with our neighbor. This is a disturbing fact for many of us but we cannot deny that it was said by Jesus. It is enshrined in the petition for forgiveness in the "Lord's Prayer."

Jesus labelled the love of God "primary and most important." No doubt he did this for the reason that unless our hearts are first attuned to God we will go on loving our own selected group and despising, exploiting and hating all those outside the group. To Jesus the most serious offense was not the misdirection of God's love which may be due to ignorance or carelessness, but the deliberate refusal to allow it to flow out either to God or to His people.

Possessing God's love enables us to face life with enthusiasm. There comes into our lives an inward peace that outside circumstances cannot reach because God is within us, and because God is love there flows out from us a love for others that sweeps away all prejudice, jealousy and hate.

Jesus never descended from the high level of perfect love as the motivating power of His life. He never resorted to resentment or retaliation. In every relationship he was reaching out to give expression to the love principle. This is the heart of the gospel and His contribution to the world.

We live and grow and prosper with love and we starve and die without love. Love and confidence are positive while hate and suspicion are negative. In Christian Education, we emphasize the positive aspects. We invite you to be a part of the continuing growth of this fellowship of love.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 2, 1961

	Att.	
Babies & Toddlers	16	
Nursery Department	27	
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	63	
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	53	
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	40	
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	29	
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	32	
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	4	
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	57	
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	61	
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	57	
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	49	
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	17	
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	5	
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	
Officers	4	
TOTALS	526	\$947.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Little Miss Cindy Hunt underwent an appendectomy this week at Lutheran Hospital. She is in Room 424.

Mr. Merle Teeters has been ill at his home, 311 Elizabeth St.

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. LeRoy Timbrook in the recent death of her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Bickhart. We pray this family will be sustained in their time of sadness.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The Board will meet on Tuesday evening, April 11, at 8 P.M. in Fellowship Hall.

FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain, 2903 Capitol, on Friday evening, April 7 at 7:30 P.M.

NURSERY NOTES

Mrs. Sarah Likens, our Nurse, wishes to take this means of expressing her thanks and appreciation to all those who furnished transportation for her during the season of "School For Christian Living" and for entertaining her at dinner. These kindnesses were greatly appreciated.

MOTHERS — Please mark your name on your diaper bag before you leave it in the Nursery. There are too many bags left in the Nursery for Mrs. Likens to remember to whom they belong, and your name on your bag will also serve as a precautionary measure for your child.

CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rhos will meet this next Sunday at 4:30 P.M. Roger Swift is worship leader. Choir practice at 5:30 P.M.

A SUCCESSFUL TEACHER NEEDS

The education of a college professor,
 The executive ability of a financier,
 The humility of a deacon,
 The adaptability of a chameleon,
 The hope of an optimist,
 The courage of a hero,
 The wisdom of a serpent,
 The gentleness of a dove,
 The patience of Job,
 The grace of God, and
 The persistence of the devil.

—Author Unknown

Sometimes I wonder what life's all about,
 With its ups and downs, its ins and outs;
 With its sorrows and failures and struggles
 to survive,

I wonder if it's really worthwhile to be
 alive.

Then I look around me and it all comes
 clear:

I see a neighbor on crutches but full of
 good cheer;

Two little boys and a puppy hard at play;
 Willing givers to health funds and the
 YMCA;

Sunshine and church bells, flowers and
 friends;

A family, God bless them, whose love
 never ends.

And suddenly, from my doubt I am joy-
 ously free,

For my look around has helped me to see
 That for every failure there's twice success;
 For every sorrow, threefold happiness.

Yes, God in His wisdom has pointed this
 out,

And taught me a lesson of what life's
 all about.

—Frances A. Brown

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Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

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April 2, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	758
Church School Attendance	526
Regular Church Offering	1483.96
Building Fund Offering	419.50
Church School Offering	947.16
30 Pieces of Silver	405.00

Total Offerings\$3255.62

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Wm. Conrad, 1301 Lynn Ave., Monday evening, April 10 at 8 P.M. Mr. Charles Speicher and Mrs. O. R. Kuhlman will present the program. Worship by Miss Mildred Hutchinson.

LUNCHEON—The McGavran Circle will sponsor a luncheon next Tuesday, April 11 at 12:30 at the Church. The program will be, "Fun with Music and Poetry" by Mrs. Lillian Scott. Please call in your reservations to Mrs. Hugh Rice, S-266 before Sunday the 9th.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Ed. Hall, 3406 MacArthur Drive, Tuesday evening, April 11, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Stanley Cole co-hostess. Mrs. Robert Keithley will give the devotions.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Gene Salyards, 110 E. Lincoln Highway, New Haven, Wednesday morning, April 12. Program by Mrs. Gene Tassler; Worship by Mrs. Harold Addison.

The Esther Circle will meet with Mr. Fern Teeple, 1235 W. Berry St. Wednesday April 12 at 6:30 P.M. Program by Mr. Albert Egly; Worship by Mrs. Carter Palmer.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mr. James Cain, 813 Kinnaird Ave., Wednesday, April 12, at 8:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Harold Crowder; Worship by Mr. Rex Porter.

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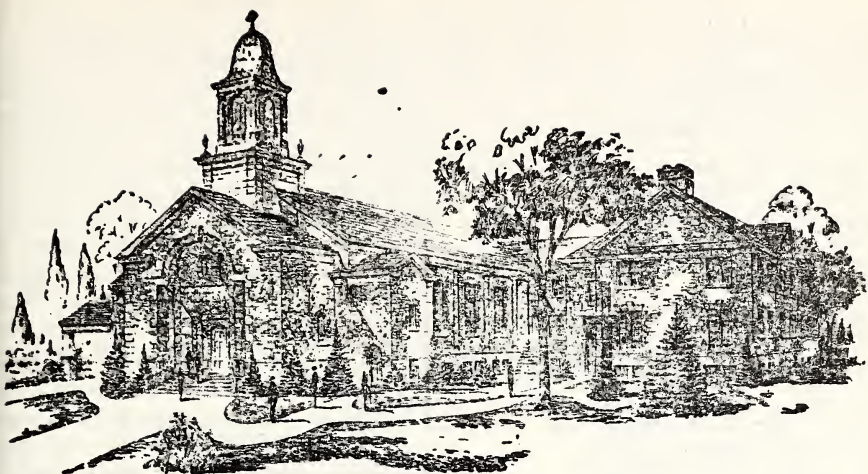
RUMMAGE SALE

The Christian Women's Fellowship will sponsor a Rummage Sale at 2028 S. Hanna, on Friday and Saturday, April 21-22. All day, both days. Mrs. John Hock is Chairman.

Rummage may be taken to the room after 7 P.M. Thursday, April 20, or Friday until 4 P.M. We hope you will have your closets cleaned out so we may stay in business the full two days.

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The Christian Women's Fellowship of the West Creighton Church have invited the ladies of First Christian to a Tea given in honor of Mrs. H. I. Rudduck, State CW President, on Thursday evening, April 2. Mrs. Rudduck will tell of her trip to India. We hope many from First Christian will plan to attend.



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A SACRED TRUST

The Tithe Is a Sacred
Trust from God...

The Way You Han-
dle It is Important
to God.

**BRING THE TITHE
TO GOD'S HOUSE
ON GOD'S DAY**

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THE FINER SPIRIT OF TRUSTEESHIP

The individual never sees life in the radiant glow of its greatness, its dignity and its privilege until he realizes it as trusteeship. Life itself is but the individual trusteeship of time. Man does not truly own even his own life; he has merely a life-interest in it, and sometime he must surrender it.

In the truest sense, man owns nothing absolutely, to do with precisely as he pleases; over all his possessions ever breathes the spirit of trusteeship. His time, his money, his health, his mind, his character, his business, his worldly goods, his opportunities, his influence — all that he is, and has, he holds but as trustee for his higher self, the world around him, and humanity itself. These possessions are all covered by a first mortgage of the rights of others.

Trusteeship is one of the great words of life because it concentrates in a single expression the essence of all true living. It inspires man with the revelation of his constant relation to himself, to all others and to the Infinite. It gives a royal dignity to life, making man, not a mere isolated individual, but interblended with other lives and an indispensable factor in the whole scheme of living.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP INVOLVES DEDICATION AND SACRIFICE

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Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
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Primary Department	37	3.34
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	42	7.85
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
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Junior High Department	23	3.71
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James Naile, Teacher		
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Officers	4	
TOTALS	338	\$107.52

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With the dawn of the Christian Era there came a new way of life upon earth. Man was never to be the same. All because Jesus Christ lived, taught, died and lives again, His followers enthusiastically went out to challenge and conquer the world for Him. Notice the fantastic difference in their lives, the changes that took place, the sudden shining from perilous pessimism and dread to conquering confidence and displaying faith. What happened?

For one thing, man discovered a new freedom. That is a word that we too so lightly. Yet, it is a word that is pregnant with meaning. Consider its implication: Freedom from what to what? Only the Infinite can enjoy absolute freedom, and even the freedom of the Infinite is circumscribed and determined by the decisions of the Infinite. Since man is not Infinite but finite, he must be related to something. He cannot be free and unattached. That to which he attaches himself becomes the defining power of his limitations and freedoms.

Other forms of freedom had been known in slavery in disguise. In the self-giving of God on the Cross, man was challenged to commit his life to a Power that sought only to share that Power with man. Freedom then became partnership with God, a partnership in which God respected the nature of man and in which man is to respond with love and obedience and adoration. This is life!

The ultimate struggle in this world, no matter how complex the manifestation may be, can be simply stated as an eternal competition between God's sovereignty and the forces that would detract from Him. Even the struggle for freedom apart from God, however noble it may seem, is destined to failure.

In relationship to God through Jesus Christ, man discovered a new sense of worth and dignity. In his book, "HUMAN DESTINY," Lecomte du Nouy says, "The only goal of man should be the attainment of human dignity with all its implications." Might I point out that man does attain that dignity in Christ and apart from Him that dignity disintegrates into disgrace?

One other important thing that I would like to observe is the realization of

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responsibility. The Apostle Paul says, "I am a debtor." Apart from a sense of responsibility man becomes just another animal. Even the great social efforts of Christianity are doomed if they deny individual responsibility. To care for man's physical needs only is no virtue. Doesn't a veterinarian minister to a sick cow's needs? We do little more if we only treat the ailments of the body. We must awaken the soul to share the responsibility of a spiritually sick world!

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving during April)

April 16, 1961

ELDERS: Carter Palmer — Walter Birkhold

DEACONS: For Month of April

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 in attendance last Sunday evening with an offering of \$1.46. Miss Pam Marshall will be Worship leader this Sunday. We will have our regular panel discussion. The subject this week is on "Manners".

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Our Creator would never have made such lovely days and have given us the deep hearts to enjoy them, above and beyond all thought, unless we were meant to be immortal.

—Nathaniel Hawthorne

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich, fell and sustained a broken ankle. She is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gene Barker, 2023 Graham Drive.

Mrs. Ralph Sheets is a patient at Lutheran hospital, Room 317.

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IN SYMPATHY

We were grieved to learn of the passing away of Mrs. Mae Sheline, mother of Mrs. O. R. Kuhlman. Mrs. Sheline was, for many years, and faithful member of this Church. Our sincere sympathy is extended to her family.

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"Life is so tame," said one to me,
"Nowhere to go, nothing to see;
There's nothing new, no thrills at all.
How quickly life begins to pall!"
Yet even as he spoke these words,
I saw the sunset, heard the birds;
And there upon the busy street
Watched youth and age adventure greet.
Faith, hope, and love are found out
there,
And courage conquers dark despair!

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Each morning, facing peace and strife,
We meet adventure, meeting life!
Oh, you who say the days are dull,
Open your eyes — for life is full
Of romance and surprises, too
Which God keeps offering to you!

—Dr. W. J. Thompson

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

April 9, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	316
Church School Attendance	338
Regular Church Offering	814.20
Building Fund Offering	82.80
Church School Offering	107.52
30 Pieces of Silver	26.85

Total Offerings\$1031.37

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The General meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship will be held in Church Parlors, Tuesday evening, April 18 at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Fred Hilker will read the book, "The Shepherd of the Streets" by John Ehle. This is a factual story of the mission work among the Puerto Rican people.

Devotions will be given by Mrs. Debra Hogg. Higdon Circle is in charge of Hospitality; Refreshments will be served by the Dye Circle. A business session will conclude the program.

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RUMMAGE SALE

The Christian Women's Fellowship will sponsor a Rummage Sale at 2028 Hanna, on Friday and Saturday, April 21-22. All day, both days. Mrs. John H. Hogg is Chairman.

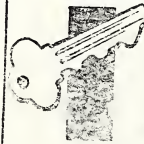
Rummage may be taken to the room after 7 P.M. Thursday, April 20, or Friday, April 21, until 4 P.M. We hope you will have your closets cleaned out so we may stay open business the full two days.

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The Christian Women's Fellowship of the West Creighton Church have invited the ladies of First Christian to a Tea given in honor of Mrs. H. I. Rudduck, State Conference President, on Thursday evening, April 20. Mrs. Rudduck will tell of her trip to India. We hope many from First Christian will plan to attend.

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TITHING IS THE KEY



THAT UNLOCKS
THE DOOR TO
GOD'S RICHES

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse... and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

MAL. 3:10

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HE WILL BLESS YOUR LIFE

IF YOU GIVE HIM A CHANCE



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Volume 19

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Number 29

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Fellow Christians:

Despite the dreary weather that took Indiana by surprise, we had an inspiring service of Bible Study and Worship at the First Christian Church. The blizzard-like weather with its driving snow and high winds did not prevent our people from nearly filling the sanctuary, nor did it prevent six more committed Christians from placing their membership in the First Christian Church. We are privileged to welcome into our growing fellowship:

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Halsbury, 1712 Babcock

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wood, 3721 Lafayette

Mr. Robert E. Scranton, 403 Englewood

Miss Becky Buskirk, Dalman Road

Did you know that very soon the Church of the Living God shall celebrate its 1928th birthday? Think with me for a moment — do you ever feel that the Church has grown old and tired? Nearly twenty centuries have come and gone in the march of the Church, yet the true Church is kept new and vigorously young by the indwelling Spirit of God. We are going to plan a Birthday Party for the Church of our Lord! May 21, which is Pentecost, will mark the anniversary of the founding of the Church by our Lord in old Jerusalem! There will be a carry-in dinner, and a large birthday cake will be provided. We are asking that we make a gift to the Building Fund of the Church as a gift to the Church on its 1,928th birthday! Help us make this the most memorable Birthday Party you ever heard of!

Sunday's Sermon: "WHEN WEARY OF UNWORTHY WAYS"

Chi Rho district meeting in our Church beginning Sunday at 2:00 P.M.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving during April)

April 23, 1961

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Take time for right living, while rushing along,

And lighten the load with a lilt of a song;
From learning and living in wisdom we grow,

And come to full stature while onward we go.

Take time for right living, in habits of thought,

Remember the errors that brought you to naught.

The truth has a sound like the peal of a bell;

Right thinking brings water up from a deep well.

Take time for right living, in all that you do,
In planting and tending and harvesting, too;

In gaining contentment, your greatest reward,

And finding that sorrows are notes in life's chord.

Take time for right living, bring joy to each day,

To live in the sunshine that brightens your way,

And search for the power faith only can give,

In knowing what glory there is just to live.

—Rudy Fahl

WHAT DOES GOD SAY

about MONEY?

HE KEPT PART

In the creation, God reserved a portion for Himself.

GEN. 2:16-17

HE ASKS PART

On Mt. Sinai, He commanded that His people tithe.

LEV. 27:30, 32

FOR HIS HOUSE

He demands that the tithe be brought to His House.

JESUS AGREED

MAL. 3:10

Jesus spoke of possessions and our relationship to them in 19 of the 26 parables. He endorsed the tithe.

MATT. 23:23

THIS IS GOD'S DIVINE PLAN

A GREAT CHURCH

The expression "a great Church" is used so frequently by so many people that its true significance of it is often overlooked. Really, what constitutes "a great church"?

A church is great in the sight of God when it is:

Great in spirit. When its warmth of fellowship is apparent to all who worship there. It possesses a warmth which blesses all who come.

Great in love. Its love abounds toward Christ and toward sinners. The members love one another with deathless devotion.

Great in Compassion. Its heart reaches out to suffer with those who need ministry. Only by having compassion can a church be great. As one said, "A passionless church is a passionless church".

Great in Consecration. It withdraws itself from the world with its fashions and its fads; its members live a consecrated life; it has no place for worldliness or for human aspirations.

Great in Loyalty. It is loyal to Christ. It is loyal to His word. It is loyal to His faith once for all delivered unto the saints. Its members are loyal to the Lord and His Church by their dedication of their talents, and of treasure.

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CHI RHO CORNER

We had 11 in attendance last Sunday afternoon with an offering of \$1.24. Next Sunday the Chi Rho District Meeting will be held here in First Christian beginning with registration in the Gym at 2:00 P.M. and continuing through the afternoon and evening, with recreation, study groups and Worship, closing the Meet at 7:30.

Our Young People are urged to attend this inspirational and important District Meet.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Word came that the father of Mrs. Henry Worth is seriously ill at his home in Urbana, Ill.

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IN SYMPATHY

We were deeply grieved upon hearing of the recent passing away of Mr. J. W. Peery, father of Mrs. John Williams, wife of our Associate Minister. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Williams and her family.

Also we extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Merl Teeters and family in the recent loss of husband and father. We know these folk will be sustained in their hour of sadness.

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If wrinkles must be written upon our brows, let them not be written upon our hearts. The Spirit should never grow old.

—James A. Garfield

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Be such a man, live such a life, that if every man were such as you and every life like yours, this earth would be a paradise.

—Phillips Brooks

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 16, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	13	.92
Nursery Department	21	2.06
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	27	2.70
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	35	3.43
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	43	6.44
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department	27	4.20
Mr. William Franklin		
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Church		
High School Department	29	4.61
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	7	2.21
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The "58" Class	29	21.50
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	45	28.35
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	28	13.73
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	36	22.50
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	15	4.85
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.74
Officers	4	
TOTALS	375	\$125.00

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April 16, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	411
Church School Attendance	375
Regular Church Offering	1191.95
Building Fund Offering	187.10
Church School Offering	125.00

Total Offerings\$1504.05

TRIBUTES

TO

THE BIBLE

This Book contains

The Mind of God,
The Way of Salvation,
The Doom of sinners,
And The Happiness of believers.

Its Doctrine is HOLY

Its Precepts are binding,
Its Histories are true,
And its Decisions immutable.

Read it to be wise,

Believe it to be safe,
Practice it to be holy.

It contains Light to direct you,

Food to support you,
And Comfort to Cheer you.

It is the Traveller's map

The Pilgrim's staff,
The Pilot's compass,
The Soldier's sword,
And the Christian's character.

Here Heaven is opened,

The Gates of Hell disclosed.

Christ is its subject,

Our good its design,
The Glory of God its end.

It should fill the memory,

Rule the heart,
And guide the feet.

Read it slowly,

Frequently, Prayerfully.

It is a mine of wealth,

And a river of pleasure.

It is given to you here in this life,

Will be opened at the Judgment
And is established forever.

It involves the highest responsibility

Will reward the greatest labor,
And condemns all who trifle with
its sacred contents.

—Author Unknown

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The CMF will meet next Tuesday
ning, April 24 at 7:30 P.M. For Prog
there will be a panel discussion led
Hugh Rice, Moderator. The panel m
bers are James Naile, Glenn Miller, N
Ganter, Richard Vanderwall. The
ject "Idolatry". Refreshments will
served.



FIRST CHRISTIAN

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

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Number 30

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends of the Upward Way:

Prior to the end of his term as President, Mr. Eisenhower made this statement: "Our school and churches have become the true mobilization centers of the forces which might now save civilization."

After twenty years of research, the eminent authority in world history, Arnold Toynbee, has written, "Man's future lies, not in the hope of his becoming 'civilized', but in the saving power of his religion."

Surely these two world figures are merely saying what the church has so freely said throughout the years, that the study of our religion is not a diversion from our primary task of saving the world, but is right on the nail! Sunday Bible School study and worship are not mere ecclesiastical trimmings, but the very center of life's saving power. In the midst of international tension, racial unrest, bloodshed and tumult, modern man must realize that he is incapable of saving himself. Our human situation is so critical, and the magnitude of the problem so great, that most thinking people have come to the conclusion that man's one hope is "power from above."

The hour of human history is late indeed for trifling. We must return to the vibrant faith of our fathers. We must lean heavily on the grace of God. We must be up and doing the will of our heavenly Father. We must redress the wounds of our age now before the opportunity goes by forever.

Believe me, this is no ecclesiastic pleading for Church attendance, it is the resolute conviction of one acquainted with the march of history. We will build God's kind of a world where men are content to live and act as brothers, or there will be no world worth living in. I often think of the Rich Fool in the time of Jesus. He centered his attention on greater barns and a more happy and secure future, and that very night left them all forever behind. The pronouncement of God was, "Thou fool, whose shall these things be!"

Let's take Paul's admonition to heart to, "Pray without ceasing". Let us give, work, and pray, as though the new world depended on just our lives — and perhaps, it really does.

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Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	57	9.81
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	13	1.56
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	16	2.55
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	33	4.91
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	6	1.87
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
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Men's Class	11	6.50
Officers	3	
TOTALS	433	\$122.22

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

G. Curtis Jones, one of the outstanding ministers of our Brotherhood, has written a book entitled, "WHICH WAY IS PROGRESS?" The title raises a very provocative question and it causes me to re-evaluate my goals and purposes of life.

Many of us have made the mistake of equating motion with progress. The natural world about us displays quality of motion and progress. At the same time we are engaged in the natural process. Perhaps we take it for granted that just because we are adrift in the river of life we are making progress. Certainly we are in motion. But where are we going? Are we traveling uncharted waters? Are we wandering down the road toward cataclysmic circumstances? Will life suddenly come to a jarring halt, or will our plans suddenly disintegrate into dust before our eyes, leaving us desperately and futilely to ourselves and the destruction that we can heap upon ourselves?

Let us not be disillusioned! While the world of science and education is "making progress" toward the goal of providing a better life for all people, is it reasonable to assume that spiritual progress is inevitable? Don't you fool yourself! An outstanding member of the Christian Church, General Omar Bradley, has said, "We are a nation of nuclear giants and ethical infants." Men from every walk of life are here to tell you and me that our spiritual status is out of line with the material progress of this day and age.

Unless men and women, boys and girls recapture the passion to know Christ's way, this world is destined for destruction. Jesus said, "He that heareth the words and doeth them shall be likened unto a wise man who built his house upon a rock."

If what Jesus said is true, then the Church has a job to do. We must acquaint men with a knowledge of Christ's objectives and ideals. The Church is the vehicle. Coming to Church, in itself, will not move you one inch in the direction of these objectives and ideals, any more than just getting in your automobile will assure you of arriving at a desired destination.

"WHICH WAY IS PROGRESS?" It is in the direction of Jesus Christ.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

MINSTREL SHOW

The Men's Choir and Christian Men's Fellowship are planning a Minstrel Show for the nights of May 11, 12, 13.

The Minstrel Chorus will practice each Thursday evening at 8:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall.

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CHI RHO CORNER

95 of our Chi Rho young people attended the District Meet last Sunday. Les McDowell will be our leader next Sunday evening. Shut-In Visitation will follow.

The Sponsor and Chi Rho youth wish to thank all who assisted in any way to make the District Meet the success that was. Their help and cooperation made the Meet one of which we can all be proud.

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BOYS! GIRLS!

Don't miss "DAVEY and GOLIATH", a new Children's program showing over PTA-TV, Channel 21, on Saturdays at 7:45 A.M. This program is sponsored locally by the Associated Churches of Port Wayne.

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Members of our CYF will attend the District CYF Meet to be held at the Christian Church at Auburn, Sunday, April 30.

The CYF are planning to have a "car wash" on Saturday, May 13 from 9:30 to 1:30 at Southgate Standard Station. These young people need men to sponsor this project and are asking for volunteers. Those who can help please call Miss Beal, S-2662.

Men! This is an SOS from our youth!

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SUMMER CAMP & CONFERENCE

SCHEDULE — 1961

Barbee Christian Camp

CYF — June 18-24; June 25-July 1; August 6-12. Fee \$9.50.

Chi Rho — July 3-8; July 10-15; July 17-22; July 24-29. Fee \$8.50.

We urge our Youth to be planning for these Conferences.

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NOTES

Mrs. Merl Teeters and Family wish to take this means to thank all for their kind expressions of sympathy and the many cards which came to them at the time of their recent sorrow.

Mrs. Roxy Wunderlich — Dear Christian friends, words cannot express my pleasure on receiving the many cards of cheer, the visits, and the many phone calls. All of these were greatly appreciated.

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THE FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Mrs. C. R. McMaken, 3022 South Wayne Avenue, Friday evening, May 5 at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Albert Egly will serve as Assistant hostess. Mrs. W. H. Imbody will give the program, with devotions by Mrs. Lona Miller.

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Building Fund Offering	338.06
Church School Offering	122.22
Total Offerings	\$1384.84

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

(Monthly Circle Meetings)

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. L. H. Higgins, 213 W. Fleming, Tuesday, May 2 at 1:00 P.M. The Program will be given by Mrs. Neil Allen, Devotions by Mrs. Hugh Rice.

The Kepple Circle will meet in Church Parlor on Wednesday morning, May 3, at 9 o'clock. Program by Mrs. L. H. Higgins, she will show the film "Church Around the World". Devotions by Mrs. Lona Miller.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Wm. Ganter, 5016 DeRome Drive, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Gene Tassler, devotions by Mrs. Gene Salyards.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. F. Hilker, 926 High St., Wednesday, May 3 at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. David Hilker, Devotions by Mrs. Hilker.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Ethel Allen, 1320 Jackson St., at 7:45 P.M. Thursday, May 4. Program by Mrs. P. Whitton; Worship by Mrs. Charles Fuhs.

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NYLONS! STAMPS!

The Dept. of Service is asking the members of CWF to bring their old **nylons** and **stamps** to their May Circle Meetings.

The Blessing Box offerings should be brought to the May Circle Meeting. This offering will be dedicated at The District Institute on May 10.

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NOTES

Mrs. John Williams wishes to take this means to express her deep appreciation to friends in the Church for the many cards and letters, and messages of sympathy which she received during the days following the death of her father, Mr. J. Peery.



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 4, 1961

Number 31

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

GOD'S GIFT TO YOU —

God's gift of Himself in Christ has always evoked two kinds of response in man: the humble gratitude on the one hand, and a sham selfish reaction on the other. The wise men in the Christmas story came in love, to express their gratitude for God's Son. Herod, on the other hand, in pretense of wanting to worship, really wanted to order any threat to his own crown.

So we respond to God's love, with lives of dedication and service — or with indifferent or bitter rejection of His intrusion into our earthly ease.

All of us possess gifts and skills. Some employ them in God's service, with love seeking to spell out constant gratitude. Others use them for self, and shrivel like dried flowers in the heat of the sun.

Augustine abandoned his life of sensual pleasure and self-seeking, for God's higher calling. Luther imperiled his life and stood against all the powers of his day because he had his heart. Kagawa surrendered wealth and renown to live and serve in the Shinkawa slum. Schweitzer, with an international reputation in music, philosophy and theology, gave his medical skill to the poor natives of Africa, in the name of his God.

Few of us fall in the category of the great, but all of us have some gift, as Paul reminds us in his Corinthian letter. We cannot all hope to be "stars" in the great drama, but we can play our roles in the supporting cast with complete dedication. Often God's best workmen are found "back-stage".

Be a good steward, and find courage and inspiration in the knowledge that "when God calls, He also qualifies."

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving During May)

May 7, 1961

ELDERS: C. Bueford Tharp—William Love

DEACONS: For the Month of May

Captain, Olos G. Fox, T-2683

Cecil Beck

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Ralph E. Church

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

DEACONESS: For May—

Mrs. Wm. Conrad

HOSPITALITY: Chairman for May—

Mrs. Wm. R. Love

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The CYF are planning to have a "carnival" on Saturday, May 13 from 9:30 to 5:30 at **Southgate Standard Station**. These young people need men to sponsor this project and are asking for volunteers. Those who can help please call Miss Bea Rice, S-2662.

Men! This is an SOS from our youth!

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CHI RHO CORNER

Chi Rho Choir will practice at 5:30 P.M. Sundays. **Junior Choir** will practice at 6

There were 7 in attendance last Sunday with an offering of 65c. Miss Judy Cole will be leader of Worship next Sunday.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Bill Cook is a patient in Lutheran Hospital Room 562.

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Greater love hath no parent for a child than the one who deems a good name and Christian character the finest legacy to be left behind.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Paul Kenline, 3131 Maple Lane, Monday evening, May 8, at 8 p.m. Program by Miss Mildred Hutchinson, Worship by Mrs. Owen Vaught.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Ludwig, 2722 Glencairn, Tuesday evening, May 9 at 8 P.M. Worship by Mrs. Marian Duncan.

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The Esther Circle will meet with Mr. Carter Palmer, 2625 No. Wells, Wednesday evening May 10, at 6:30 P.M. Program will be given by Mrs. Blaine Jones.

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The Nelson Circle will meet in the Church Parlor, Wednesday evening, May 10 at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. Ben Taylor. Worship by Mrs. Rex Porter.

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The Kepple Circle will sponsor a "Taste and Tell" Luncheon in Fellowship Hall Tuesday, May 16 at 12:30 P.M. Tickets may be purchased from Circle members for \$1.00. Mrs. Herdis Helmuth will present the afternoon program, "Storytime".

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NYLONS! STAMPS!

The Dept. of Service is asking the women of CWF to bring their old **nylons** and **stamps** to their May Circle Meetings.

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God will forgive those who start late in life to serve Him, but He will not forgive those who quit early. "Be thou faithful unto death".

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

April 30, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	13	.59
Nursery Department	24	3.11
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	36	3.52
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	35	2.37
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	56	9.01
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	12	4.82
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	13	2.55
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	31	4.07
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	7	2.46
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
the "58" Class	35	20.20
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	48	23.50
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	27	11.72
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	38	17.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	19	3.61
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	4.86
Officers	4	
TOTALS	411	\$114.64

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

It won't be long until school is out and time for VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL will soon be here! That's right! All parents and children are urged to reserve the dates of June 12-16 and June 19-23 for this purpose. The VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL WILL BE HELD from 9:00-11:00 A.M. each day, Monday through Friday of these two weeks.

Time really does fly by in a hurry and we often wonder where it goes. For some, life is a mad rush, while for others, it seems as if the end of the day will never come. Some are excited about the wonderment and glory of life, while others are simply "whiling away" the time just waiting to grow old and expecting nothing else from life but the marks of age.

One of the responsibilities of Christian Education is to aid people in properly appreciating the time that they have. I would oppose the idea of setting up a "Grandfather's Clock" in the middle of the living room and worshipping at the foot thereof. But I would not be like the jungle tribe either. A missionary to Africa felt that the tribe to which he was ministering needed to establish a sense of time. He bought a sun dial and presented it to them. Adoring the object with so much affection, the jungle tribe decided to build a hut over the sun dial to prevent it from being exposed to the elements. You may laugh, but this really happened in Africa. The pitiful counterpart is that it is happening right here in America today.

The Apostle Paul reminds us that we must "redeem the time in an evil day." How do we redeem lost moments? How can we recapture our lost yesterdays? A step further we are led to ask the question, "How do we redeem lost lives?" In the race for space, in the race to commit men to God's eternal purposes, the forces of Christendom are now locked in mortal combat. We can redeem and win, only if we give our time, our days, our lives, a Christian meaning.

John W. Williams, Associate-Minister

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

April 30, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	466
Church School Attendance.....	411
Regular Church Offering	807.99
Building Fund Offering	175.60
Church School Offering	114.64

Total Offerings \$1099.23

SPRINGTIME FROLICS MINSTREL

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You have an opportunity now to help these worthy causes and at the same time enjoy a fun-filled evening of music and laughter. Attend a performance of the "old-time" musical comedy "Springtime Frolics" in the church's Fellowship Hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 11, 12 or 13. The show starts at 8:00 each evening.

You'll hear selections from music of days-gone-by by the 25 voice men's minstrel chorus, traditional jokes brought up-to-date by the five end men and an olio which features a barbershop quartet solos and variety acts.

Don't miss this wholesome bit of Americana which is as old as "Mr. Bones" and as new as television. Tickets for each evening's performance are 50c for children and \$1.00 for adults. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from many church members, or the Church office.

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MAY-NATIONAL RADIO MONTH

The month of May is National Radio Month—and the 7th of May has been designated Fort Wayne Radio Sunday.

The slogan for National Radio Month is "Radio—The Best Sound Around." As a churchman, we are sure you are aware of the tremendous impact of radio as a means of spreading the Word of God. Radio reaches the hospitalized—the shut-in—and the unchurched. It brings the light of God's Word into homes that are otherwise shrouded in darkness.

The five radio stations of Fort Wayne are: WANE, WGL, WKJG, WOWO and WPTH-FM, have always been and will continue to be very much aware of their responsibilities in the field of religious broadcasting.

SUNDAY IS

THE LORD'S DAY

A Day of Worship

On vacation or at home
do not neglect church attendance.

GOD EXPECTS YOU



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DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST:

Following is one of the most fascinating statements I have read of the ministry of Jesus. Think about it for a while:

"What an age in which to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus, who came into a cruel world ruled by a dictator, His birth celebrated by the Song Celestial and the slaughter of little children. He brought the Good News of God, the one radiant theology, only He did not teach it theologically, but after the fashion of a poet, an artist using every key and color at His command. It seemed too good to be true to a fear-haunted humanity then; it seems almost too good to be true now. No one ever saw sin as Jesus saw sin, but He saw through it and beyond it. He was never helpless about it, because He saw it as sickness to be healed, a deformity to be cured. The only sinners He ever denounced in words the most withering ever uttered were the "religious" leaders of His day, "blind leaders of the blind," who used the old fear motive to enslave the souls of men and fatten their revenues. For other forms of sin He had a profound and healing compassion; He saw that fear is the deep-seated top-root and origin of sin. Jesus had no fear of God or man or life or death; here is the chief fact about Him - He was the one free soul who stood erect and unafraid, facing the worst and finding the best. For Him the Love of God, the secret and glory of His life, had cast out all fear; He knew - nay, He was and is - the truth that sets us free from fear, and where fear ends there life begins."

(Joseph Fort Newton, *The One Great Church*)

I am inclined to believe that our world's drift from God and from its moral moorings, are a result of what a devastating line in a Swinburne poem has to say regarding a religious teacher: "For their tender minds he served up half a Christ."

In mediating to a dying world only "half a Christ", the Church must share in the responsibility for our world's drift in its own life and its drift toward the abyss of darkness. Far too often the Church has been too tender of mind to grasp the Gospel of Christ in its sweep and grandeur, too timid to speak its full truth and face its full commitments!

Sunday's Sermon: CREDENTIALS OF THE KINGDOM"

"TASTE AND TELL" LUNCHEON

May 16, 12:30
Fellowship Hall

Members of the Kepple Circle, of Christian Women's Fellowship, invite you to come to a "Taste and Tell" Party on Tuesday, May 16 at 12:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. The price will be one dollar. Each guest will be given Ten Tastes of her choice for the dollar. If a dish appeals mightily to your palate you may buy the recipe for a dime.

Some of First Christian's most talented cooks report that they are working on their recipes for this party. Come and bring your friends. Buy a ticket in your CWF group, or contact Mrs. Wm. Love.

The Luncheon will be followed by a program given by Mrs. H. G. Helmuth. She will add further relish to the afternoon with her program, "Storytime".

Please purchase your tickets early, so that we may carefully plan on food quantity. A few tickets will be sold at the door, but reservations must be made not later than **Sunday, May 14.**

There will be a sitter in the Nursery.

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NOTES

Mrs. Glenn Miller would like to take this means to say, "thank you!" to all those who remembered her in so many fine ways during and since her stay in the hospital. These tokens of friendship were greatly appreciated.

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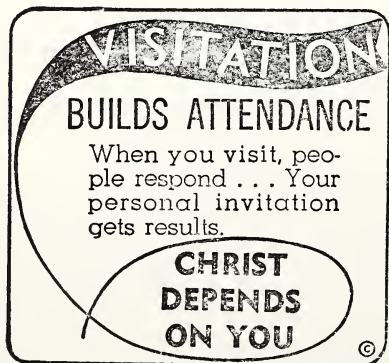
CAR WASH

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

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Our work will be "first-class", and we will greatly appreciate your patronage.

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CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rho Choraliers will sing "Motherhood Sublime, Eternal" for Mother's Day at the opening exercises of the Church School.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Looking to the future, there are three
ates that we need to keep in mind. First
all, we are going to celebrate the
irthday of the Church on Sunday, May
. Our goal for Church School atten-
-ance that day is 601. It will require
very person's loyalty to attain it. The
econd date to remember is Children's
ay, June 4, 1961. And at last, but not
ast, VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL, June
2-16 and June 19-23. Please keep these
ates in mind!

One great lesson that Church and the
hurch School must learn through Chris-
-an Education is that the fellowship of
e Church is not an end in itself. It is
means to an end. The fellowship is not
e destination, but the vehicle on which
e travel. Our destination is to enlarge
e Kingdom here on earth and to impart
eternal life through a knowledge of Jesus
hrist, "whom to know is eternal life."

In thinking of the mission of the Church,
ere comes to my mind a picture that
ustrates two great fundamental principles
hat are necessary. The picture is said
o have come from the French Heguenots.
is found in varying places. Some
hurches have it imprinted on the cer-
-ificates of their missionaries. It is a
icture of an ox standing between an
altar and a plow. What is its significance?
he altar stands for sacrifice; the plow
ands for service. The legend printed
nderneath gives its significance:

"READY FOR EITHER"

This is the attitude that must charac-
-erize all Christian personality in such a
ay as this. The world is calling on
Christian people to "put up or shut up".
A Christian society can be realized only
hen men and women give themselves
without reservation to serve or be sac-
-ificed. The only alternative to a des-
-troyed civilization is a Christian society.
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF
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John W. Williams, Associate-Minister

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J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	42	21.38
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	26	13.71
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	29	14.30
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	18	3.80
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
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Men's Class	9	6.75
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 7, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	366
Church School Attendance	376
Regular Church Offering	770.86
Building Fund Offering	160.83
Church School Offering	123.27
Total Offerings	\$1054.96

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church.
On Pentecost, Sunday May 21st, at 6:
p.m., we are having a church wide carr
in dinner and at this time we will hon
the Church on its birthday.

As in the past, when we have a carr
in meal of this sort, we ask our membe
ship to bring certain foods. Will tho
whose last name begins with a letter
the alphabet from "A to M" bring salac
and those from "M to Y" bring hot ve
etables. The meat, rolls and coffee wi
milk for the children will be furnishe
Also, we shall have a large birthday cal
for our dessert.

The members of '58 Class are in charg
of the arrangements. They are asking th
you PLEASE BRING YOUR TABLE SE
VICE.

There will be a sitter in the Nursery.

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. James Goins is a patient in S
Joseph's Hospital, Room 370.
Mrs. David Crebb is a patient in S
Joseph's Hospital, on Fifth Floor.

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympath
to Mr. Robert Clipp in the recent loss
his sister, Mrs. Chester Marling. Mr
Marling made her home in Elkhart.

Reflections on Man -

From the Jungle -
Of all Places -

In a Monkey Tale!

Three monkeys sat in a cocoanut tree
Discussing things as they're to be,
Said one to the other, "Now listen, you tw
There's a certain rumor that can't be tru
That man descended from our noble rac
The very idea is a disgrace.
No monkey ever deserted his wife,
Starved her babies and ruined her life,
And you've never known a mother mon
To leave her babies with others to bunk
Or pass them from one to another
Till they scarcely knew who is their
mother.

And another thing you'll never see
A monk build a fence around a cocoam
tree

And let the cocoanuts go to waste
Forbidding all other monks a taste.
Why, if I put a fence around a tree,
Starvation would force you to steal
from me.

Here's another thing a monk won't do,
Go out at night and get on a stew,
Or use a gun, a club or knife
To take some other monkey's life.
Yes, man descended, the ornery cuss,
But, brother, he didn't descend from us
— Author Unknown



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Number 33

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

DEAR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS:

As I write this brief note another revolution has taken place, this one in South Africa. It seems the "generals" of our time believe themselves called to such an hour to lead their respective nations along their own course. Recently the French generals in Algiers decided they knew more about leading Algiers and France than her elected officials. And well they may, but herein lies some of the problems of our age, it's the old, old refrain - "might makes right". Each of these revolutions carry peril as well as hope, they often carry evil as well as new growth. These are dangerous hours for awakened Christians! But a world in flames ought not to frighten the Church of the living God! I am convinced that the church is the true bulwark of freedom and security in this age of turmoil and uncertainty. Let us be up and DOING our Father's will.

Sunday marks the anniversary of the birth of the Church. Pentecost ought to be widely celebrated. It ought to be a day of prayer and fasting for our having done little with so much! I well remember meeting with Bishop Otto Dibelius in Berlin, Germany in the summer of 1953. Something he said then, and often since, has real relevance in this hour of testing, "God does not lead his children around hardship, but leads them straight through hardship. But He leads! And amidst the hardships He is nearer to them than ever before." What horizons lift at such a faith!

Sunday we are to celebrate the Birthday of the Church by making a special gift to the work of the church. Let the greatness of the cause guide the depth of your consecration in your giving!

One of the most important happenings of our church's long history will take place at 4:30 P.M. when James Shockney is ordained to the Christian ministry. He will leave the fall to finish his undergraduate work, and only God knows what the future will hold for Jim in the service of the Master. We are thrilled indeed to be able to share this high moment of spiritual commitment. Mr. Robert Cocherille will sing the thrilling words of consecration, "I'll Walk With God". You will want to be present and stay for the CARRY-IN DINNER AT 5:30 P.M.

Sunday's Sermon: CREDENTIALS OF THE KINGDOM"

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On Pentecost, Sunday May 21st, at 5:30 p.m., we are having a church wide carry-in dinner and at this time we will honor the Church on its birthday.

As in the past, when we have a carry-in meal of this sort, we ask our membership to bring certain foods. Will those whose last name begins with a letter in the alphabet from "A to M" bring salads; and those from "M to Y" bring hot vegetables. The meat, rolls and coffee with milk for the children will be furnished. Also, we shall have a large birthday cake for our dessert.

The members of '58 Class are in charge of the arrangements. They are asking that you **PLEASE BRING YOUR TABLE SERVICE.**

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CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday 11, Offering 70c
Judy Cole will be next week's leader. Chi Rho will meet at 5:00 P.M. for **THIS WEEK ONLY.**

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Re: MINSTREL SHOW!

Those of you who have money outstanding for tickets sold, or have unsold tickets to turn in, may give them to Don Miller next Sunday. Mr. Miller will be waiting in Fellowship Hall.

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There are one hundred and thirty-five passages in the New Testament where life is referred to, and only in seven of these is the reference to mere physical life. Life is an endowment in the body, but the reality of life is a thing of the mind, the heart, the will and the activities of the whole man. It becomes clear that life can only, therefore, be completely fulfilled and enjoyed in the spiritual capacities of character and service.

—J. H. C. Macaulay

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Miss Joline Wilhelm underwent emergency appendectomy this week at Parkview, Room 336.

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Mrs. F. Marion Coburn is a patient at Parkview Hospital.

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Mr. William Woods, is a patient in Room 739 Parkview Hospital.

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Mr. Bill Cook is a patient in Lutheran Hospital for a second time in the past two weeks.

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Baby Jeffery Bryan is a patient on West 4th Lutheran Hospital.

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IN SYMPATHY

We want to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Harold Addison and her family in the very recent death of her father, Walter Price. Burial will be in Kokomo.

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The fires of the Holy Spirit consume "the rags of self-righteousness, the leaves of an empty profession, the stubble of questioning doubt, the thorns of prickly temper, the filth of unholy desire, the chaff of useless endeavor, the roots of black bitterness, the straw of pretentious unreality, and the refuse of unprofitable talk."

—F. E. Marsh

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

May 14, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	15	.50
Nursery Department	30	4.00
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	35	4.92
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	39	4.07
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	45	6.32
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	10	1.45
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	12	2.35
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	23	3.26
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	3	1.31
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
9th "58" Class	39	22.16
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	46	22.00
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Senior Class	24	11.35
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	24	15.80
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	13	4.25
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	5.25
Officers	4	..
Totals	375	\$109.99

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

There are several dates of importance that we wish each one to keep in mind.

PENTECOST — "The Birthday of the Church" May 21, 1961 Our Goal of Church School Attendance—601

CHILDREN'S DAY — June 4, 1961

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL — June 12-16 and 19-23, 1961 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. each day

PROMOTION SUNDAY — June 25, 1961

The hope of Christian Education lies in the trained and qualified teachers in the Church School. Perhaps too much has been said recently about the pupils and students and too little has been said about the teachers.

For this once, we want to take "our hats off" to the dedicated teachers who prepare for each session with their classes, and are willing to sacrifice or serve that His Kingdom might be advanced. If our Church School is to grow, their number must increase in proportion. If people are going to learn, they must be taught, and how shall they be taught without a teacher. How dependent we are upon them!

Some one once said that a school was a log with a pupil on one end and Mark Hopkins on the other end. Our lamented and martyred President James A. Garfield is reported to have asked, "What is the use of the log if Mark Hopkins is there?"

That's the way it goes with our Church School teachers. We never seem to have quite enough space, regardless of how we might think that our plans for the future are adequate to serve a growing Church School. But our teachers are always ready to improvise and shift in order to impart the spirit of Christ and a knowledge of salvation.

To our faithful teachers, no greater tribute can be paid than, "May their tribe increase."

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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ATTENTION PLEASE

Due to the fact that next Tuesday is Memorial Day, all TIDINGS material and notices must be in the Church office not later than **Monday, 5 P.M.**

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CWF AREA LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

Friday Evening, June 2

The Christian Women's Fellowship Area Leadership Training Institute will be held at West Creighton Christian Church on Friday evening, Jun 2. Supper will be at 6 P.M. Price of the meal is \$1.00. This Training Institute is for Employed women of CWF and other women who were unable to attend the all day Institute held May 10. Employed women in the Area have been invited to attend. Registrations will begin at 5:30. We are expecting a good representation from First Christian.

VISITATION

BUILDS ATTENDANCE

When you visit, people respond . . . Your personal invitation gets results.

CHRIST DEPENDS ON YOU

CHILDREN'S DAY - 1961

A BIT OF HISTORY

The observance of Children's Day the Christian churches had its beginning 80 years ago when three children in the home of J. H. Garrison, minister-editor, brought their penny bank to Mr. Garrison with the request "that the money be used to send missionaries to tell the story of Jesus to children of other lands." The bank contained \$1.13.

This humble gift marked the beginning of a new era of concern for missionary work. Children's Day has traditionally been the time for receiving of special offerings for brotherhood work, including the support of world missions.

Because of this concern and sharing the past, the Gospel has been preached and Christian work established in many lands across the world.

The World Mission of the Church is witness to the Good News of God in Christ. To bring light where there is darkness; love where there is hate; faith where there is fear; hope where there is despair.

Children learn from their parents, from playmates and from "the street." . . . The Church is concerned regarding what children learn.

Thousands of children are receiving basic Christian teaching in mission schools in many lands, in preparation for useful citizenship and Christian service. The continuance and expansion of this work depends in part upon the Children's Day Offering.

Sharing, that the Gospel may be given to all people is a vital part of the Christian life. Our Children should be trained to give regularly, youth should be challenged to grow in this giving, and certainly mature persons should know the joy of sacrificial sharing that the Cause of Christ may be advanced.

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CHURCH DAY CHILDREN'S DAY GOALS

Men's Class.....	\$25
Ladies Bible Class.....	20
Friendly Class.....	30
Progressive Class.....	50
Berean Class.....	35
Come-Double Class.....	75
The '58 Class.....	40
College Class.....	5
High School Class.....	10
High School Class.....	10
Junior High	
Seventh Grade.....	5
Eighth Grade.....	10
Juniors	20
Primary	10
Kindergarten	7
Nursery	5
Babies & Toddlers.....	1

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Mrs. Albert Egly		
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Ladies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	7.15
Officers	3	
Totals	345	\$109.71

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IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

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June 23, 1961—Vacation Bible School Family Night

June 25, 1961—Promotion Sunday

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Missionary education is a vital part of the Christian Education program of every wide-awake Church. Show me the Church that is lifting up the total mission of the Church of Jesus Christ and I will show you a Church that is energetic in the local affairs of the community in which it resides.

Show me a church that is lax in the presentation of the needs of a hungry and dying world, and I will show you a Church that has signed its own death warrant. According to what the Bible has to teach us about the Church, there must be some higher justification for existence other than just the establishment of a social set within a given community.

In the words of Emmett McLoughlin, author of "People's Padre," "Never in the history of mankind have there been people who loved one another or loved the rest of the world more than the American people of the twentieth century." Maltbie D. Babcock has said, "Your love has a broken wing if it cannot fly across the ocean."

You ask about the door of opportunity to evangelism Russia and China, and you may well wonder if that door is permanently sealed. But let me be so naive as to put it this way: "When Christian people are consumed by the passionate desire to share the gospel of Christ even at the expense of personal comfort and security, I am certain that God will open the door!"

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Building Fund Offering	350.60
Church School Offering	109.71
Special Offering	602.00
Minstrel Show.....	308.80

Total Offerings.....\$2215.34

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FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Class will meet with Mr.
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Teeters will be assistant hostess. Mr.
Cahow will bring the devotions.
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CHI RHO REPORT

Chi Rho was dismissed last Sunday
evening so the youth could sit together
in the Sanctuary for the Ordination Ser-
vice of Mr. James Shockney. Seven were
present.
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On Thursday evening, May 25, at 6 p.m.
the Chi Rhos will have a carry-in dinner
at which time they will honor the
parents.
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PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Albert Egly went to Ann Arbor,
Michigan last week for eye surgery.

Many of our little people in our Church
families have been ill with measles and
sundry other childhood diseases during
these past several weeks.
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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our heartfelt sym-
pathy to Mr. Dale Parkerson and his family
in the recent loss of his father. Mr. Park-
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Once more our church will be participating in this world-wide observance. We will be sharing spiritual light, love, faith, and hope with the despairing peoples of the world by making a generous offering for world missions. This is a very real manner in which "one person" can do something about our world. Many people say, "what can one person do in this kind of world?" Well, one person can care enough to share deeply in providing the unmet needs of this world! One person can do his level best, and then lay the world on the heart of God.

I have had the privilege recently of speaking to several large groups of young people. On Wednesday of last week I spoke to the graduating class of a high school in Fulton County, Ohio at their commencement exercises, and on Sunday night I spoke to the youth of the combined churches of Marion, Indiana. Young people are living in a frightened world and they deserve an opportunity of living in a better one. Our children have little idea of the frightening aspects of world disunity. Many families have little spiritual preparation and less moral stamina to rely upon in a world gone awry. Many mothers and fathers are betraying their own flesh and blood by ignoring their spiritual needs. Are you? Sunday I plan to think with you about the theme: "BETRAYING OUR CHILDREN". I hope you will take inventory in this matter, and let us see if we have done, and are doing everything possible for our children.

Remember: Our **BUILDING FUND** needs go on from month to month, summer or winter.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

(Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Higdon Circle will meet Thursday, June 1, for dinner at 6:30 with Mrs. Robert Clipp, 1108 McKinnie. Mrs. Roy Beal will present the program. Worship by Mrs. Ethel Allen.

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Edward Ashton, 1006 Runnion, Tuesday, June 6 at 1:00 P.M. Worship by Mrs. E. N. Schlatter; the program will be a general discussion.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. A. C. Robinson, 3425 Logan Ave., Wednesday, June 7, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Eugene Klepfer, Worship by Mrs. R. G. S. Quinn.

The Kepple Circle will meet in the Fellowship Hall of the Church Wednesday, June 7, at 11:00 A.M. for a pot-luck luncheon. The program will be a general discussion, Mrs. Robert Ogles, Moderator. Worship by Mrs. Rolland Ripple.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. John McFarland, 114 West Crown Lane. Wednesday, June 7, at 1:00 P.M. Program a general discussion, Moderator, Mrs. Fred Hilker. Worship by Mrs. Norman Long.

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MONTGOMERY CIRCLE

SALAD LUNCHEON — JUNE 6, 1961

12:30 P.M. Price \$1.00

A dramatic skit will be given by Mrs. Lewis Trubshaw and Mrs. Howard Froyd. Reservations must be in by Sunday, June 4. Call either Mrs. Nordblom, H-82011 or, Mrs. Bruckman, T-0459.

There will be a sitter in the Nursery.

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CHI RHO CORNER

Attendance last Sunday 5; Offering 55¢. Miss Margaret Love will be leader next week. Worship at 5:00 P.M. in the Chapel. For program Mrs. Owen Vaught will show her slides of Europe.

This will be the final program for the summer. The Chi Rho Choir will not rehearse again until September.

The Chi Rhos are putting on a play, "Date-Time" on Saturday evening, June 3, at 7:30 with parents as special guests. Members and friends of the Church are invited.

CHILDREN'S DAY — 1961

The minds of children

The minds of children will be filled either with truth or with falsehoods. The normal mind is never a vacuum; resistant and refusing to receive knowledge; rather it is ever curiously seeking information. The mind is peculiarly plastic, easily molded for either good or evil and, when truth is absent, falsehood prevails.

It is exceedingly difficult for us to visualize lands where there are but few if any, schools and where most of the people are illiterate. In such lands there are always the accompanying blights of fear, superstition, and poverty. In children, as an integral part of our culture, we accept the public school, with opportunity for a good education for all. In many localities provision made for the abnormal or exceptional children.

Through The United Christian Missionary Society, our churches operate 300 schools of all grades (excluding ungraded schools) in many lands. Enrollment exceeds 26,000 children and young people. More than 200 of the young men are preparing for the Christian ministry.

The purpose of the mission school is two-fold: to provide opportunities for children and youth to receive an education plus the opportunity to provide instruction in the Christian life.

Educational work, as carried out in different countries, is supported through Unified Promotion. The special Children's Day offering is one source of support. In deciding the amount of our sharing we should consider well the magnitude of the work, the needs of children for education and our Christian responsibility in the light of fulfillment of God's purpose.

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CHILDREN'S DAY GOALS

Men's Class.....	\$25.
Ladies Bible Class.....	20.
Friendly Class.....	30.
Progressive Class.....	50.
Berean Class.....	35.
Come-Double Class.....	75.
The '58 Class.....	40.
College Class.....	5.
High School Class.....	10.
High School Class.....	10.
Junior High	
Seventh Grade.....	5.
Eighth Grade.....	10.
Juniors	20.
Primary	10.
Kindergarten	7.
Nursery	5.
Babies & Toddlers.....	1.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

In our Church and Church School next Sunday, June 4, we will be celebrating Children's Day. This is one of the special missionary offering days of the Church school, and our share on this day is two hundred and fifty dollars. But Children's Day is more than money. It is an idea. And on this one day, let's all attempt to return to our childhood. It is appropriate that we remember the words of Jesus, "Unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." And again, Jesus said, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me."

A beautiful thought comes to us when we discover the origin of Children's Day. It was a spontaneous result of children's desire to communicate their concern for all children around the world. It has been magnified in our Brotherhood by children and adults who want to share in spreading the Gospel of Christ to other children through our co-operative missionary agencies.

Next Sunday evening, June 4, 1961, at 7:00 P.M., our children will present a special Children's Day Program here at the Church. Mrs. James Naile, a teacher in the Primary Department, is directing this excellent program. It will be worth your while to be present for this occasion. Immediately following the program, you are invited to attend "Open House" with those who teach your children. All classrooms will be open and teachers from the Nursery Department through the Junior Department will be on hand to greet you and become better acquainted. Light refreshments will be served.

Also, please keep in mind the dates for Vacation Bible School, June 12-23, 1961, from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Registration for all children will take place on Monday, June 12.

June 25, 1961 is Promotion Day. All members of the Church School are urged to be present for the Assembly in the Sanctuary. You will meet your new teachers and be conducted by them to your new classroom.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

May 28, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	.71
Nursery Department	23	2.78
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	31	4.51
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	36	3.78
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	55	9.89
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	6	.90
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	13	2.25
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	17	5.31
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	4	1.75
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	28	14.90
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	48	25.00
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	31	21.00
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	23	12.15
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	16	4.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	7.25
Officers	3	
Totals	362	\$117.43

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

May 28, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	381
Church School	362
Regular Church Offering	635.95
Building Fund Offering	188.90
Church School Offering	117.43
Special Offering	25.00
Minstrel Show	65.00

Total Offerings\$1032.28

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving in June)

June 4, 1961

ELDERS: Wm. Caldwell — James Shockney

DEACONS: For Month of June —

Captain, Ted E. Bryan, T-0250
Harold Adison
Herdis G. Helmuth
Hendricks P. Love
Lawrence Horn
Max Finkhausen
William Ganter
Walter Keebortz
Merland Heller
Andrew Cook
Charles Speicher
J. Fred Smell
W. Harry Imbody

DEACONESS: For June —

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY: For June —

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

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CONGRATULATIONS — GRADUATES

The Christian Youth Fellowship will ho-
st a Breakfast at the Airport Restaurant ne-
Sunday, June 4, at 7:30 A.M. honoring the
1961 High School graduates. Rev. George
Wascovich will speak to the Class.

We wish to recognize those who have
attained National Honor Society: Miss
Beatrice Rice, Miss Ellen Crowder, and
Miss Linda Welker.

Our Graduates are: **South Side High
School:** Jane Badders, Steven Banet, Ellen
Crowder, Lee Crowell, Janet King, Carol
Knox, Chad McDowell, Tom Ogles, George
Overmyer, Carolyn Ripple, Susan Ro-
seau, Dick Skelton.

Elmhurst: Linda Hunt, Beatrice Ri-
Linda Welker.

North Side: Gary Moore.

The graduates will sit together in the
Sanctuary at Morning Service, June 4.

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PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Lloyd Flowers was a patient
Parkview.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Heath are the pro-
parents of a new little son, born May



FIRST CHRISTIAN

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

TIDINGS

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19 Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 8, 1961 Number 36

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Well wasn't it wonderful to see over 400 in our Bible School hour this past Sunday morning? It was a memorable morning to see a filled sanctuary and to have those splendid Christian young people sitting in their reserved seats of honor. We are sincerely proud of the entire group of young people, and we salute our graduating seniors. We wish we could have provided you with a better world, at least one in which you could quietly and peaceably pursued your youthful dreams for a time. But these are moments filled with frightful prospects for chaos. The world around you needs our bright vision, and your courageous hopes! I pray that God will give you a profound willingness to serve and suffer, if need be, for the world issues which invade our transient days. The river of the years moves no longer beside still waters, but beside tempestuous and dangerous cataracts. Yet His Presence makes every tomorrow a promise of hope. Christ and the Christians of our time are the real hope for peace. Isn't K and K that hold forth the promise of peace in our times, but it is C. and C. (Christ and Christians). God bless you young people! Always live up to the highest you know! You can not live wrong and die right, and you cannot ignore God and the "abundant life." May His peace attend your days.

MANY have not as yet made their commitment to the building fund. We need to meet several commitments as a great church and a great people, and we have not yet finished the race! Many have sent us surging on our way, but we have not crossed the goal line! Keep this need of commitment in mind and help us cross the goal line for Christ!

Sunday's sermon theme: "FACE TOWARD THE DAWN"

Note: Our summer schedule of services will begin the first Sunday in July. We will hope and pray that our wonderful attendances will hold up through the summer. All of us needs a brief vacation, but no family ought to take a summer away from his church responsibilities. Please remember that our current and building fund expenses go on without a vacation respite! Your help is needed and deeply appreciated.

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Mrs. Glenn Miller

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Some of the television programs remind us of certain areas of church life. Here is a guide to some of the more popular programs:

"The Thin Man" — the fellow who claims he was at church but nobody saw him.

"Dead or Alive" — what we wonder about non-resident members.

"Groucho" — what it looks like outside the church building between Sunday School and Worship service.

"I Led Three Lives" — confession of a hypocrite who had one life at church, another at home, another at work.

"I've Got A Secret" — some the church gossip can't keep.

"Late Show" — what keeps folks in bed Sunday mornings.

"Medic" — what some people need on Sunday but have no use for the rest of the week.

"Lone Ranger" — church member who doesn't cooperate with majority decision.

"On The Go" — church members at the beach, river or lake during church services.

"Playhouse 90" — a program of 90 minutes that seems so much shorter than the 30 minute sermon.

"Rawhide" — people with thin skin who get mad at the church leaders.

—Borrowed from a church bulletin

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Of what use is eternity to a man who does not know how to use half an hour?

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

1961 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Due to an over-sight one of our graduate's name was omitted from the list last week: Marcia Billiard graduates this year from Leo High School. Congratulations Marcia.

CORRECTION — It was Miss Linda Hu who was honor student with Bea Rice and Ellen Crowder.

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 9 in attendance for the last meeting of the season, with 97c collection. We shall look forward to seeing you all Chi Rho in September.

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The Chi Rhos plan to have a picnic next Saturday, June 10, at Franke Park, from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Each boy and girl will bring their own lunch.

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THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Edwin Hall underwent surgery at Lutheran Hospital this week.

Miss Mary Sterling received injuries in an automobile accident last week. She is in Parkview Hospital.

Orvil Shallenberger is a patient in Parkview.

Mrs. Carl Smith is a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

William Vunora is in Room 400, Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Albert Egly is in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Harold Redman suffered a heart attack and is in St. Joseph's Hospital.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thornbury are the happy parents of a fine young son born this week at Lutheran Hospital.

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Jeffery Alan was born May 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Flowers, 1409 Bethany Lane, Parkview Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flowers and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richards are the proud grandparents. All are members of First Christian.

Congratulations and best wishes to these fine young couples.

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A pessimist is a person who is seasick during the entire voyage of life.

—Duane Dewel

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Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	41	12.08
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	39	8.82
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	49	16.52
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
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Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	8	2.90
Mr. William Franklin		
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Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
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Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	29	51.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	14	30.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
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Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	8	17.50
Officers	4	
Totals	400	\$314.78

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

By the time you read this, the Public Schools will be closed for the Summer Vacation. The children will have almost three long months to rest and play. But here at First Christian we are going to be engaged for the next two weeks in Vacation Bible School. Yes, next Monday morning at 9:00 A.M. registration begins for all children from the Nursery Class through the Junior Department. The Bible School will continue from June 12-23, Monday through Friday, from 9:00-11:30 A.M.

Our teachers and department superintendents are doing their utmost to make this the best Vacation Bible School that we have ever had. It has been thrilling to experience the spirit of co-operation among the various individuals who are at work for this great season. We could name them, but some one might be overlooked. But to those who are engaged in making this the best School, yet, we are indeed grateful.

Have you ever thought about the importance of Vacation Bible School? Perhaps you did, but in case you hadn't, did you know that we will be spending almost as much time together in those two weeks as the average child would spend a half year in Sunday Church School? These children are giving much time to you, teachers, that their souls may be molded in the image of Christ. Teachers and children alike will be blessed with this experience.

During these two weeks together, let's each write down each day one thing that has been outstanding for that day. Let's play a little game of taking notice of the blessings that come to us through the Vacation Bible School. Secondly, let's each one seek and discover some way in which we may bring joy and happiness to a different person each day. Make a definite effort to let your life count as a ray of joy and hope. "Even so, let your light shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven."

We'll be looking forward to seeing you in Vacation Bible School!

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 4, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	354
Church School	400
Regular Church Offering	790.51
Building Fund Offering	201.55
Church School Offering (Children's Day)	314.78
Total Offerings	\$1306.84

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

(Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Miss Ethel Shroyer, 4821 Tacoma Ave Monday evening, June 12, for a picnic supper at 6:00 P.M. Program by Mr. Owen Vaught, Worship by Mrs. Max Higdon. Installation service for new officers will be conducted by Mrs. S. Merriman.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Ludwig, 2722 Glencairn Tuesday evening, June 13, at 8 o'clock. Program by Mrs. Paul Yentes, Worship by Mrs. Dan Roth.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mr. Jack Sweeney, 6802 Decatur Rd., Wednesday, June 14, at 8:00 P.M. The evening's program will include installation of new officers and Mrs. Max Finkhouse will lead the Worship.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

© STARTS JUNE 12

I AM YOUR CHURCH ENVELOPE

I would like to talk with you for I am a part of your soul.

I may be a complete stranger to you, but I can help you be a better Christian.

I like to go to church on Sunday for help you to be Christ's partner.

I am very small but I am the keystone of your daily blessing.

I dare you to be as good to God as He has been to you.

I am only paper but I carry the gift of a generous heart.

I am the only pocketbook you need on Sunday; and I promise not to be a burden.

I am your chance to preach, for I am a silent sermon of your devotion.

—Ashley Booth



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH" "AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

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Number 37

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

I came across this "Dictionary of Christians" recently and thought you'd like to look up a definition of your concept of a "Christian". Here it is:

TO WHICH GROUP DO I BELONG?

1. **PILLARS**—Worship regularly, giving time and money.
2. **SUPPORTERS**—Give time and money if they like the pastor, treasurer, and the Sunday School teachers, etc.
3. **LEANERS**—Use the church for funerals, baptisms, and marriages, but give no time or money to support the work of the Kingdom.
4. **WORKING LEANERS**—Work but will not give their money to undergird the Church.
5. **SPECIALS**—Help and give occasionally for something that appeals to them.
6. **ANNUALS or EASTER BIRDS**—Dress up, look serious and go to Church at Christmas and Easter.
7. **SPONGES**—Take all the blessings and benefits, even the sacraments, but give nothing to support the work of the church.
8. **TRAMPS**—Go from church to church to church, and support none of them.
9. **GOSSIPS**—Talk freely about everything except the Lord Jesus Christ.
10. **SCRAPPERS**—Take offense, criticize and fight.
11. **ORPHANS**—Are children sent by parents who never set the example.
12. **BACKSLIDERS**—"Go back and walk no more with Jesus." (Jn. 6:66)
13. **HYPOCRITES**—Are leaners who say they are better than churchgoers.

(From—The Messenger)

Another little ditty that reminds me of the plight of many uncommitted Church members is the following:

"Use your money while you're living,
Do not hoard it to be proud;
You can never take it with you —
There's no pocket in a shroud.
Gold can help you on no farther
Than the graveyard where you lie,
And though you are rich while living
You're a pauper when you die."

SUNDAY'S SERMON — "THE KINGDOM THAT CANNOT BE SHAKEN"

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Executive Committee will meet next Tuesday evening, June 20, in the Chapel at 7:15 P.M.

The General meeting will be held in the Church Parlor at 8:00 P.M. A film on South America will be shown as a part of the program. Worship by the Higdon Circle, Refreshments by Fellowship Guild. Installation of Officers—Mrs. Owen Vaught, Installing Officer.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Our Chancel flowers last Sunday were given by the choir in memory of the Carl Smith infant who passed away shortly after birth.

Chancel Flowers this Sunday are the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Eural G. Rose.

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THE CRITIC

"A little seed lay on the ground
And soon began to sprout.
'Now, which of all the flowers around,'
It mused, 'Shall I come out?'"

The lily's face is fair and proud
But just a trifle cold;
The rose, I think, is rather loud,
And then, its fashion's old.

The violet is all quite well
But not a flower I'd choose;
Nor yet the Canterbury Bell—
I've never cared for blues.'

And so it criticized each flower—
This supercilious seed,
Until it woke one summer hour
And found itself—a weed!"

(Author Unknown)

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**SUMMER for
the SAVIOR**

In Every Season
Christ Expects His
People to Continue
Faithful

**MAKE THIS SUMMER
COUNT FOR CHRIST**

WHAT'S THE YOUTH?

Guest Ed. — Art Morgan

(Former Youth Director, U.C.C.)

"Now, we've got to keep the kids out."

I was just hustling by (I always hustle when anyone's looking to make it pay like I work) . . . and those words slipped in my ears.

" . . . keep the kids out."

Heavens . . . I'm trying to get them. Why get them out?

"We need to keep those new floors for receptions and special meetings."

That was it . . . our new fellowship room floors which were being planned. I scuff floors . . . mark them. Nature . . . protect the floors. Keep the kids

Nuts! My pleasure would burst into hilarity if that room was used so much . . . by so many kids . . . so often . . . that they scuffed and marked their way right on through the boards.

The Church is to be used (though abused) . . . by all members . . . young and old. It would be poor stewardship to use it.

Let's start a campaign . . . Let's get many people to come as often as they can to help us wear out our Church.

I think the Lord would be mighty pleased.

I SECOND THE MOTION! E. K.

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YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE:\$ 97,727.54

DUE EACH MONTH\$ 1,200.00

FIRST SUNDAY IN EACH MONTH

IS

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS PICNIC

The Progressive Class will hold their annual picnic at Shoaff Park in North-e pavilion on Sunday afternoon, June 2 at 1 o'clock.

JUNE 30, WILL BE THE LAST ISSUE OF "TIDINGS" UNTIL SEPTEMBER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Not too long ago, an individual who was not a member of this Church, asked a very serious question. "In one hour at the Church School on Sunday morning, how do you ever expect to make Christians (in the mature sense) out of all the men and women, boys and girls who attend your Church and Church School?"

Some one else has said, "The world is too much with us." And out into a world of materialism and secularism people go after spending one hour in Church and one hour in Church School. Can we really "patch up" our spiritual fences in that short a time? I doubt it, seriously. But you ask why do we continue to have a program of Christian Education? How can we really say that the hope of the world lies in Christian Education?

The desired end, a world of brotherhood and love, recognizing God as Creator and Sustainer of life, resulting in a new race of people will not be accomplished by the Church itself. There are other forces that must interplay to help mankind achieve his God-given destiny. Let me suggest one, and only one in which I have the most profound faith. That other great force is the Christian home.

If America is ever to recover, if it is ever going to rock itself out of this rut, and if the world is ever to know peace, it will come only after the home has been restored to its intended dignity. This is the basic social unit. The New Testament speaks of the redemption of individuals, but it also stresses the redemptive act in entire households.

Unless the two essentials, Mother and Father, place a high value on Christian training in the home, we can only expect chaos to reign supreme. Moral disintegration will take place. It must be recognized that these two principals in human drama, from the future generations arise, must live in mutual respect and harmony. Children can have no respect for moral teachings when father and mother violate each other's personalities.

No, the Church cannot do it alone. We need Christian homes where the name of Christ is exalted and spiritual values are taught and caught. Make your home the right arm of God. Make it a Christian home.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

P.S.: Promotion Day is June 25!

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

June 11, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	.65
Nursery Department	25	2.59
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	32	3.36
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	24	2.97
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	34	5.40
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	9	1.45
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	13	2.45
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	21	3.55
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	6	1.00
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	33	16.25
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	36	36.40
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	30	26.50
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	26	12.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	14	2.83
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	8	4.25
Officers	2	
Totals	319	\$107.89

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10:30 A.M. PRIMARY WORKSHOP.
For children in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades.

YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 11, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	316
Church School	319
Regular Church Offering	834.41
Building Fund Offering	193.83
Church School Offering	107.89
Children's Day	15.48

Total Offerings\$1151.61

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving in June)

June 18, 1961

ELDERS: James Naile — Maxwell Smith

DEACONS: For Month of June —

Captain, Ted E. Bryan, T-0250
Harold Adison
Herdis G. Helmuth
Hendricks P. Love
Lawrence Horn
Max Finkhousen
William Ganter
Walter Keebortz
Merland Heller
Andrew Cook
Charles Speicher
J. Fred Smell
W. Harry Imbody

DEACONESS: For June —

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY: For June —

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

TIDBITS
from Ida Elaine James
Men are four:

"He who knows not and knows not knows not, he is a fool—shun him
He who knows not and knows he knows not, he is simple—teach him;
He who knows and knows not he knows he is asleep—wake him;
He who knows and knows he knows, he knows—follow him!"

—Lady Burton

Humble we must be if to heaven we
High is the roof there;
But the gate is low.

—Robert Herrick

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RECREATION

VACATION
BIBLE
SCHOOL

A Happy Time For ALL



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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 22, 1961

Number 38

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Thinking of your lovely response to my letter expressing the needs of the causes of Christ, I was reminded of a lovely letter written to Dr. Joseph Fort Newton so many years ago . . .

" . . . There is another fact not brought out which is one of the most thrilling things in my life. We do not make our friends, we only find them — where they have been waiting for us for years.

It is not a discovery, it is a recognition — a greeting and a grasp of the hand, no explanation needed, no conditions made.

If our paths part it does not matter, for we are friends forever. Distances may divide, but it does not darken friendship. We still are friends, serving each other . . . The same is true, for me at any rate, of my friends who have vanished into the solitude and silence we call death. They still live for me, not simply as blessed memories, but as lovely and living presences."

Remembering those words to Dr. Newton makes one think of the bonds of Christian Fellowship! One who is in fellowship with Christ and the Friends of Christ, need but to recognize the needs which binds the family of God together, no more, and no less. Often, oh how often, a friend of mine would say, "If I had only known of your need! Why didn't you let me know?" — Ah, this is true of those whose hearts and lives are joined together by the bonds of fellowship in Christ — without the barriers of time or space to interfere!

I heard a young (very young indeed!) lover say to his girl friend, "Your every wish will be my command!" Sentimental? Perhaps! But this is the sentiment that has made poetry out of gray days, and bound lives together beyond the tragedies which are bound to come to every home! This is the high and holy sentiment God would have us feel for His Kingdom! For men of the Kingdom in this hour there is no tomorrow — we must move forward into what ever future destiny has in store for the Church today! Your every prayer is needed. Every hour spent for Christ will help bring in the Kingdom for which we pray, and every dollar given helps advance the Cause of Christ! Blessed by the memory of your almost eager response to the knowledge of our Church's needs, I urge you to go the second mile for Christ! Keep up the good work! Let's keep our giving up to the highest level of which we are capable!

SUNDAY'S SERMON: "WHEN DREAMS BECOME NIGHTMARES"

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 18, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	318
Church School	305
Regular Church Offering	984.97
Building Fund Offering	157.56
Church School Offering	100.43
Special	845.00

Total Offerings\$2087.96

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, June 23, 7:30 P.M.

The Daily Vacation Church School which has been in session the past two weeks will conclude the sessions with Family Night Program on Friday evening June 23 in Fellowship Hall of the church. Open House begins at 7:30. At this time parents, grandparents, neighbors and friends of the boys and girls are invited to visit the various classrooms and observe the crafts and achievements of the children during these past two weeks. Promptly at 8:00 P.M. the program will be presented in Fellowship Hall. Each age group will participate in the program.

Mrs. Max Finkhausen will have charge of Beginners Group; Mrs. Robert Perkins Kindergarten; Mrs. Edwin Allen, Primary; Mrs. Hendricks Love, Junior Department.

Recognition of all helpers and teachers will be observed at this time. Light refreshments will be served following the program.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers for April 30 were given by Mr. J. Z. Berlien in loving memory of Mrs. Berlien.

June 4 Chancel flowers were given by Glenn and Lola Miller in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Chancel flowers June 25 are given by Mr. W. C. Glass.

YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE:\$ 97,727.54

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JUNE 30, WILL BE THE LAST ISSUE OF "TIDINGS" UNTIL SEPTEMBER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Things To Remember:

Friday, June 23, 7:30 P.M. — Vacation Bible School closing program.

Sunday, June 25, 9:15 A.M. — Promotion Day. All pupils are requested to sit with their teacher during Assembly.

While reading the June 11th issue of the Christian, I came across an article by Frank C. Mabee, Jr., entitled, "A MINISTRY OF REDEMPTION." There are three major points of emphasis that are deserving of our attention: (1) The call to the one mission of the Church, (2) All Christians are called to one vocation, (3) Christian education seeks to make the message of redemption relevant to man's modern existence.

In the first point, Mr. Mabee draws the work of the Church into one package. Isn't this the message that we have been preaching in our Church for years? The work of the Church in India is the same as the work on Calhoun St., winning people to Christ. The major differences are language, custom and geography. The goal is the same, to reconcile the world to God.

Secondly, this article indicates, unmistakably, that all Christians are involved in the total mission of the Church. The old adage, "A chain is only as strong as its weakest link," is one that should cause serious examination of one's entire life. As the Church moves forward or it retreats on the basis of individual commitment. What you are and what you may become will have its effect on the total, worldwide fellowship of the body of Christ.

In the last place, Christian education seeks to make the message of redemption relevant to man's modern existence. Yet, people still ask, "What good does it do me, at my age, to attend the Church school hour?" Perhaps you have learned the fundamental lessons that bring people INTO the Kingdom. A young college graduate climbed to the top of the hill and shouted to the world, "Look, World! I've gotten my AB!" The world replied, "Come along with me and I'll teach you the rest of the alphabet."

So Christian education is the hope of the world when people learn that the mission of the Church is one, that we are all involved and that Christian education makes life relevant.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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June 18, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	11	.50
Nursery Department	24	2.78
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	21	2.82
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	30	2.90
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	39	5.53
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	6	.95
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	12	2.25
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	18	3.20
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	1.35
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	27	13.60
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	30	21.75
James R. Shockney		
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	26	18.55
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	23	13.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	16	5.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	8	7.00
Officers	4	
Totals	305	\$104.3

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

(Officers Serving in June)

June 25, 1961

ELDERS: Robert Clipp — Dr. A. C. Worley

DEACONS: For Month of June —

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Harold Adison

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Hendricks P. Love

Lawrence Horn

Max Finkhousen

William Ganter

Walter Keebortz

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Andrew Cook

Charles Speicher

J. Fred Smell

W. Harry Imbody

DEACONESS: For June —

Mrs. Glenn Miller

HOSPITALITY: For June —

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

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NOTES

The Official Board at its last meeting accepted, with regret, the resignation of Harry Harman as Chairman of our Board of Elders. Mr. and Mrs. Harman will make their home in Columbus, Ohio. They have been faithful members of this congregation and we shall miss them. Our sincere good wishes go with them and it is our hope that they will find a happy Church home there.

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The Board of Elders met and appointed Mr. William Caldwell to serve as Chairman of Elders, filling the unexpired term of Mr. Harman.

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AMONG OUR SICK

Mr. Arthur Richardson is a patient in Room 449, Parkview Hospital.



JUNE 30, WILL BE THE LAST ISSUE OF "TIDINGS" UNTIL SEPTEMBER

PROGRESSIVE CLASS PICNIC

The Progressive Class will hold their annual picnic in Conklin's Pavilion, N. end, at Shoaff Park, Sunday, June 25, 1 P.M. Bring your table service, drink and picnic basket.

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CHI RHO CORNER

On Saturday, July 1st from 6 to 8 P.M. there will be a SWIM PARTY at Y.M.C.A. for Chi Rhos and parents. Expenses for the party are being paid by Mr. Gene Salyard's Company.

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FRIENDLY CLASS PICNIC

The Friendly Class will have a picnic at the Church on Friday, July 7, at 1 P.M. Bring your table service.

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IN APPRECIATION

Rosalie and Ed Hall wish to take this means to thank all those in the Church who helped so much by their prayers, cards, visits and calls, that gave courage to them during Ed's stay in the hospital.

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Make yourselves nests of pleasant thoughts. None of us yet know, for none of us has been taught in early youth, where the fairy palaces we may build of beautiful thought — proof against all adverse Bright fancies, satisfied memories, noble histories, faithful sayings, treasure-houses of precious and restful thoughts, where care cannot disturb, nor pain make gloomy, nor poverty take away from us. Houses built without hands, for our souls to live in.

—John Ruskin

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Take time to work, it is the price of success. Take time to think, it is the source of power. Take time to play, it is the secret of youth. Take time to read, it is the foundation of knowledge. Take time to worship, it is the highway of reverence. Take time for friendship, it is the source of happiness. Take time to love, it is the one sacrament of life.

—Anonymous



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH" "AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, June 29, 1961

Number 39

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends of Christ:

Already the congregation has begun to scatter across America like leaves blown by an autumn gale. For several months many will neglect utterly and completely their spiritual heritage. Others will keep alive and bright their spiritual natures by attending worship services wherever they may be! Man's greatest need, and his deepest concern is for spiritual depth. Mark you well—the day of sorrow and tragedy will reach its fingers to your life and the lives of your loved ones — and what then? Are you developing the spiritual depth to meet the experiences in the valleys of life? Life will not always be bright and gay. Ah, but preacher we work so hard in the winter that we need to take several months and indulge in sheer fun and pleasure—but, have you tried that one on God in some lonely night's vigil? Take your vacation—as long and as bright as you desire—but for your soul's sake, don't take a vacation from God and the church!

There is one group of church workers that deserves a bright and gay vacation—and that is OUR CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS! God bless them—what would we do without their devotion? They have chosen to be participants rather than spectators in the struggle for a brighter world of faith and hope! Often they make some very real sacrifices in time and effort on behalf of our sons and daughters—and we thank God for their every effort. These men and women are forging the keys with which our youngsters will unlock the door into tomorrow's quest for faith. We can but say we are eternally grateful for your every effort spent on behalf of Christ. Have a summer in which you listen to God speak through every bird's song, and every flower's bloom. See His face in the rippling water of a river or lake, and you will be refreshed by the Spirit of God.

We who thrill to the lovely music of our wonderful choir are selfish enough to wish their continued presence whenever possible. Perhaps those who can not make it during the winter would like to join the choir for the summer months? Just a selfish idea from one who loves to hear them sing! God bless them!

Sunday's Sermon: "IMPRISONED BY SELF"

1961 VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Our Ministers, Mrs. F. E. Morrical and the membership of the Church wish to take this opportunity to recognize all those who participated in the Vacation Church School, lending their loyal support to make it a fine and successful School . . .

Mrs. John Williams and Connie Wascovich maintained the Nursery for the Babies of teachers and helpers.

Nursery Department (3-4 year olds)

Mrs. Max Finkhousen
Mrs. Frederick Jenkins
Mrs. Herbert Banet
Mrs. E. M. O'Laughlin
Mrs. James Hirschy
Mrs. A. O. Schell
Suzette Hunt
Susan Crayton
Carol Hicks

Kindergarten (5 year olds)

Mrs. Robert Perkins
Mrs. John Quinlan
Mrs. Beryl Harrison
Mrs. Donald Hogan
Mrs. Aaron Smith
Mrs. Harold Nordblom

Primary Department (6, 7, 8 year olds)

Mrs. Edwin Allen
Mrs. George Wascovich
Mrs. Clair Buskirk
Mrs. Ben Taylor
Mrs. Wm. Franklin
Susan Mowery
Deborah Love

Junior Department (9-10 year olds)

Mrs. Hendricks Love
Mrs. Robert Hicks
Mrs. Eugene Klepfer
Sandy Salyers
Shirley Naile

Refreshments —

Mrs. Robert Keithley
Mrs. George Wascovich
Mrs. John Williams
Mrs. Arza Smith
Mrs. Paul Roth

Registration —

Mrs. Paul Truby
Mrs. Rolland Ripple

Other Helpers —

Nathan Love
Larry Addison
Tim Hoff
Robert Finkhousen

Rev. John Williams, Associate Minister, General Superintendent of Vacation Church School. Mrs. F. E. Morrical was general chairman for Family Night.

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NOTES

Mr. Albert Egly is a patient in University Hospital, Room 18, Fifth Floor, Ann Arbor.

Mr. Arthur Richardson is a patient at Parkview.

Mrs. A. E. Huddleston has been in Parkview, Room 740.

Mrs. Albert Powell is a surgery patient at Parkview, Room 239.

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Appreciation — Mrs. Robert Rayl and mothers of our babies wish to take this means of thanking the members of the 'Class for their gift of new mattresses to the Nursery.



Tithing
HELPS
YOU
BUILD A LIFE
For God

The blessings that come
from God are the true
rewards to the tither.

"see that ye abound in this
grace . . ." 2 Cor. 8:7

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WITH THE TITHE

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Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	33	2.73
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	31	2.32
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	41	4.75
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	8	1.90
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	13	4.40
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Last Sunday during the assembly period of the Church School Hour, it was a thrill to see our young people walk forward to receive their promotion certificates and be advanced from class to class and department to department. Each one is invited and urged to be present next Sunday to meet his new teacher. Let me suggest that each person give words of encouragement to his teacher. Tell them that you are going to be present and work harder for your class than ever before. With **YOUR SUPPORT**, your teacher can do a better job.

The 1961-62 Church School Year is going to be the best that we have ever experienced. It will be when we dream the dreams of God and dare to make them come true. Already, you have demonstrated that we can exceed our own expectations during the "CROWN HIM KING" Crusade. With an added measure of loyalty and devotion we can have Easter Sunday capacities each week during the Fall.

Since this is my last message to you until September, let me share a dream with you. I would like to see our Church School attendance average above 300 for the next two months. Yes, I know that you will be taking a vacation, but don't take a vacation from God. When you are out of town, attend Church School and Worship Service. When you are home, remember that your Church is still here. We are engaged in "Kingdom Business" 12 months out of the year. While you are out of the City, pray for your Church and its Ministry. The prayers of the Church follow you and intercede for your safety and welfare.

OUR SUMMER GOAL: 300 and ABOVE.
OUR GOAL FOR FALL: 500 EACH SUNDAY.

Before I go, let me express my appreciation for all who helped to make our Vacation Bible School a great success. May God bless and keep you and yours.

John W. Williams, Associate Minister

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We are a nation of open church doors and open Bibles, but open church doors mean nothing if we do not enter, and open Bibles have no value unless they are read and their teachings practiced.

Even if you are too deaf to hear the preacher, the Church is still a good place for listening to God.

—John A. Holmes

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

July — August

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KINDERGARTEN and PRIMARY WORKSHOPS are disbanded during July and August, will be resumed in September.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

June 25, 1961

Church Worship Attendance 367
Church School 359
Regular Church Offering 1066 76
Building Fund Offering 440.48
Church School Offering 103.10

Total Offerings\$1610.34

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE OFFICERS SERVING DURING JULY and AUGUST (Please File for Reference)

JULY

ELDERS:

2 J. E. Weicker — Walter Birkhold
9 David Griggs — Eural G. Rose
16 Robert Rayl — Albert Powell
23 Hugh D. Rice — Carter Palmer
30 Rolland Ripple — C. Bueford Thar

AUGUST

6 Floyd Morrical — Elmer Darwach
13 Charles Billiard — William Love
20 William Crouse —
27 James Naile — William Caldwell

DEACONS: For Month of JULY

Captain — John J. Jefferies, T-34414
Robert Chevalier
Rufus Quinn
Richard Block
Garland Morroll
Robert Westerfield
Berton Purdy
James Heavin
William Franklin
Carl Thomas
Edwin Allen
Myron Cole
Romane Cole
Jack Sweeney

DEACONS: For Month of AUGUST

Captain — Stephen Blaising, H-2256
Edwin Hall
Leon Johns
Arza Smith
Robert Hendricks
Ward Bundy
Howard Howell
John Hechler
John Varner
Thomas Thornbury
Omer Guingrich
Wm. Vunora
Earl Plummer
Robert Oales
Richard Vanderwall

DEACONESSSES:

July — Mrs. Paul Truby
August — Mrs. Robert Rayl

HOSPITALITY CHAIRMEN:

July — Mrs. F. E. Morrical
August — Mrs. James Shockney



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 7, 1961

Number 49

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Sunday as I sat meditating on the grandeur of the Lord's Supper, the thought came to me that if you and I believe in the gospel, then it is a supreme privilege to be allowed to share in the grandeur of every spiritual opportunity, and you and I are committing unpardonable folly by neglecting life's highest treasure — fellowship in the Body of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Most of the things to which we give our lives and money are really passing trinkets and tawdry junk. Recently I was visiting a man who had come through a near fatal heart attack. His physician had told him he must decide what values are worth holding on to! Some things he persisted in doing would lead to his death, but he insists these are the important things! And what about the glory of a sunrise, the smile of wonder upon the face of a son or daughter, the voice of a loved one — are these less important than making money? The Church's main business may well be to help us see that some of life's trinkets which we have valued so highly are actually worthless, and in their pursuit we have missed the real and abiding treasures because a foolish generation has pasted cheap labels on them!

Your church challenges you to live and think of your life in terms of ultimate worth. Christ is no mendicant begging for a handout! You and I owe Him unqualified allegiance as Son of God, and Saviour of our Souls! To think of Him otherwise is utter folly and unpardonable paganism.

In the first fourteen verses of the book of Ephesians the great Apostle tells us of the grand heritage of Christian believers — stating that "All that one day will belong to Him (Christ) we have been promised a share". And would you swap this for . . . for whatever seems more important that your God and His Church at this moment . . . house? — lands? — pleasure? — power? — prestige?

I think of the Church . . . its errands of love, of all its deeds of kindness, of all its acts of benevolence; of the minds it has given peace, of all the hearts it has lifted up; and of all the souls it has strengthened, and pairs it has given balm, and wounds it has nursed, and of all the deep hurts it has helped to heal . . . and then I think of how little some of us do for the Church, or give for its program of healing in the name of Christ, of how unimportant its work seems to be to a lot of people . . . and my heart grows sad. Sunday I plan to explore this theme a little further. Let's pray and think about this subject until Sunday morning:

"LIFE'S UNPARDONABLE FOLLY"

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY CIRCLE MEETINGS

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Wm. J. Conrad, 1301 Lynn Avenue, Monday evening, September 11, at 8 P.M. Mrs. Mary Higdon is co-hostess. Worship will be given by Mrs. Donald Smith, Study by Mrs. Charles Speicher, Echoes from the Quadrennial will be given by Mrs. Conrad, Anita Fitch and Mrs. Owen Vaught.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Thos. Holloway, 4510 South Park Drive, Tuesday evening, September 12 at 8 P.M. The program will be given by Mrs. Paul Yentes, Worship, by Mrs. Harold Nordblom.

The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. L. R. Mote, 9129 Winchester Rd. Wednesday, September 13 at 8 P.M. Program by Mrs. George Wascovich, Worship by Mrs. Harold Crowder.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Harold Addison, 909 Kinnaird Ave., Wednesday morning, September 14, at 9 o'clock. The program will be given by Mrs. Klepfer, Worship by Mrs. Wm. Ganter.

"A TRIBUTE"

For a long, long time I've wanted to pay
A tribute to women who go out of their
way.
To pick up folks, to carry them far;
The women who are generous in the use
of their car.
They furnish the gas and hurry from home.
To accommodate those with no car of their
own;
With meetings prolonged for an hour or
more,
They still take time to return them to their
door.
They also serve—these women who take,
Others to meetings they could not make.
Smiling, unruffled, they honk and then
wait,
While we hunt the door key that makes
us late.
So here's to the women wherever they are,
The women who are generous with the
use of their car.
They swell every meeting with their
courtesies.
How grateful we are for souls like these.
—Her name is Legion
—Copied

IN SYMPATHY

It is with sorrow and a deep sense of loss that we announce the death of Mrs. Edith Darby. Mrs. Darby was a faithful member of this Church for many years. We will miss her from our congregation.

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mr. Jack Weicker and his family in the recent loss of his father.

Mr. Romane Cole has been seriously ill in Lake Worth General Hospital, Lak Worth, Fla. Cards and messages will be appreciated.

Mrs. George Wascovich wishes to take this means of expressing her thanks and appreciation for all the many messages of comfort, flowers, cards and the many kindnesses shown at the time of her mother's death.

We have, from time to time, members and friends in the Church, who when ill are in need of blood. It is very important that the amount used be replaced. Mr. Howard Dancer was recently provided with blood and his family are now soliciting for donors in an effort to replace the amount used. Those who wish to donate blood in the name of Mr. Dancer may call the American Red Cross, A-5446.

Mrs. Bill Cook wishes to express her heartfelt appreciation to the people of the Church for their cards and especially for their prayers during her husband's illness and death. These kind expressions of sympathy and concern meant so very much.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will begin the rehearsals this Thursday and every Thursday evening at 7:30 P.M. We cordially invite every one who likes to sing to join us on rehearsal night.



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GOD'S PATTERN

Does your mode of giving
meet God's requirements?
Is your financial plan fashion-
ed after His standard?

HE ASKS THE TITHE

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 3, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	7	.50
Nursery Department	12	1.70
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhousen		
Kindergarten	18	1.45
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	28	2.90
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	38	4.45
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	11	1.26
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	6	1.76
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	24	5.08
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	6	1.90
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
1958 Class	25	14.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	34	23.75
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	15	8.55
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	20	9.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	18	3.60
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockey		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Babies Bible Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	4.50
Officers	1	
Totals	276	\$95.40

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD I

Dear Christian Friends:

While attending college, the opportunity to go to town was a rare occasion. Consequently, when some one with a car, stuck his head in your room and said, "Let's go to town," he could always get a volunteer. In fact, as these opportunities began to come with increasing regularity, the phrase was shortened to simply, "LET'S!" Without permitting the request to be completed, my roommate and I would jump from our seats and grab our hats and coats and off we would be.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if all the requests of Christ were received as eagerly? Our world could become a second Eden if only men and women would jump from their seats ready to go, when they heard the Master's voice say, "LET'S!"

Looking Eagerly To Service, we begin another year for our Lord. The summer is almost over and school has begun. We have realized some of our goals for this summer. The Church School attendance stayed above 300 until we reached the month of August. Only one Sunday saw our number drop below last year's figure.

Looking Eagerly To Service, we shall renew our Fall Program with fresh spirits. Our goal is to have 500 present each and every Sunday beginning October 1, 1961. Plans are under way for the greatest attendance promotion we have had. It is to be called "RACE FOR INNER SPACE." We are hoping to put our Church School "in orbit" on Sunday, October 1, 1961. It will require 500 people in Church School "to get off the ground."

Of course, we are all interested in outer space now that travel in that area has become a reality instead of a dream. We are interested in the space we have here at First Christian Church for class rooms. But more especially, we are interested in "INNER SPACE." Does Christ have a priority on the space in your heart and life? He says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any man will open the door, I will come in and sup with him and him with me."

Are you **LOOKING EAGERLY TO SERVICE** for Christ and your Church? If so, let it be demonstrated by being present at the Church School Hour next Sunday morning at 9:15 A.M. See you then!

John W. Williams,
Associate Minister

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During September

ELDERS:

Robert E. Clipp — David A. Griggs

DEACONS — For September

Captain — Olos G. Fox, T-2683

Cecil Beck

Donald C. Smith

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Carl D. Linn

Charles R. Ludwig

Herbert C. Banet

Cliff K. Travis

Ralph E. Church

George R. Bruckman

A. Jefferson Young

DEACONESS — For September

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson

HOSPITALITY — Chairman

Mrs. Robert Clipp

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

We have had many of our folk ill and in the hospital since July 1st.

Mr. Egly has been in the hospital a number of times for eye surgery.

Mrs. Glenn Miller was in the hospital for eye surgery.

Mr. Charles Tharp is a patient in Room 402, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Billy Heath is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 472.

Robert Young was in Lutheran Hospital for surgery.

Mrs. Forrest Hoover has been a patient in Parkview Hospital.

Mr. David Hogg has been and is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. Robert Craig is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 675.

Mr. Clover Branstrator has been ill at his home, R. 8, Coverdale Road.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

AND STUDY

September 3, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	273
Church School	276
Regular Church Offering	686.59
Building Fund Offering	252.50
Church School Offering	95.40

Total Offerings\$1029.49

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STORK NEWS

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hendricks at Lutheran Hospital, August 21.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rorick in August. Mrs. Rorick is the former Sharon Richhart.

YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION

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BALANCE DUE:\$ 95,460.92

DUE EACH MONTH\$ 1,200.00

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Number 50

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

All life seems to be crying out for restoration of real values, and the elevation of the religious faith! These days of dire spiritual poverty. We need desperately to recover the forsaken shrines of man's spiritual heritage! We must become men and women who have become weary of unworthy ways. It is high time that those who lay claim to membership in the Church of Jesus Christ begin to manifest that fellowship with Him is more important than anything else in all creation. This business of dollars for the Kingdom of God and hundreds and thousands of dollars for pleasure must cease. Man is to be saved from death and destruction! We must be men and women who have the courage to turn our wayward wills toward the redeeming love of Christ.

When one commits his life to God, when he is baptized into Christ Jesus, from THAT moment onward HE BELONGS TO GOD! He is wrested from the dominion of the world and passes into the ownership of Christ! Is it any wonder the early church conquered pagan society when they lived under the admonition of the apostle Paul: "YOU ARE NOT YOUR OWN, YOU WERE BOUGHT WITH A PRICE" (That price: the life of the Son of God on Calvary!).

There is a story of William Hunt which lays bare the fact that all men are forced to decide their fate. He was teaching a class of artists out by a lake. As the shimmering beauty of the lake caught the dying rays of the sun, he noticed that one of the young artists was painting an old red barn, neglecting the glories of the westering sun and the sky and lake clothed in grandeur. As the great teacher watched the young student, he made the following comment: "Son, it won't be light very long. You've got to choose between shingles and sunset soon. There's time for only one or the other. What's your choice?"

It is a truism that you and I have been forced to choose between the temporal things of life and the eternal things of God. It won't be light much longer, and we must choose between "shingles or sunsets" . . . And friend, "What do you choose?"

Sunday's sermon: "HAVE YOU COUNTED THE COST?"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During September

ELDERS: SEPTEMBER 17, 1961

Carter Palmer — Eural Rose

DEACONS — For September

Captain — Olos G. Fox, T-2683

Cecil Beck

Donald C. Smith

Ben G. Taylor

Homer H. Stevenson

Delmas Young

Carl D. Linn

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It was only a blossom,
Just the merest bit of bloom,
But it brought a glimpse of summer
To the little darkened room.
It was only a glad "good morning"
As she passed along the way;
But it spread the morning's glory
Over the livelong day.
Only a song; but the music,
Though simply pure and sweet,
Brought back to better pathways
The reckless roving feet.
"Only" in our blind wisdom,
How dare we sail at all?
Since the ages alone can tell us
Which is the great or small.

—Copied



CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

GENERAL MEETING

The Christian Women's Fellowship will be at the Church, Tuesday evening, September 19. The Program will be at 7 o'clock in the Church Parlor. Worship will be given by Mrs. Wm. Ganter. For program our guest speaker, Mrs. Ward Nicholas, Indianapolis, Executive Secretary of Christian Women's Fellowship in Indiana, will bring an inspiring message.

Members of CWF at West Creighton Church and North Christian Church have been invited to be our guests.

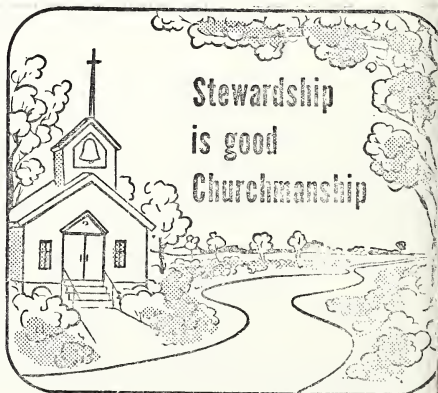
The Dye Circle will be in charge of hospitality; The Fellowship Guild will serve refreshments.

Mrs. L. M. Culbertson, President, will conduct a short business session.

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The CWF Executive group will meet MONDAY EVENING, September 18, at 7:30 in the Church Parlor.

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If a single dive into the sea does not bring to you the pearl, do not conclude that the sea is without pearls. Countless are the pearls hidden in the sea. So, you fail to see God directly when you have finished a few devotional exercises do not lose heart. Go on patiently with your exercises, and you are sure to obtain Divine Grace at the proper time.

—Sri Ramakrishna

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

During World War II, commands were given that may never be given again. This is true, not because we have abolished war and established peace, but because the instruments of war have become more horrible and complex.

For instance, one command that I suspect will never be given again, will be one that looked over the loudspeaker of a battleship engaged in the "softening-up" process before the invasion of Okinawa. That command, "CLEAR THE DECK FOR ACTION!", meant that everything on deck which was non-essential to the action of the ship had to be tossed into the ocean.

When the ship's company was engaged in battle with a deadly enemy, they could afford unnecessary objects cluttering up their pathway to battle stations. Those things which did not contribute to victory had to be discarded. We were at war and our actions and standards of values took a new look. So it has ever been with our people when they were given an appraisal of the situation.

The Apostle Paul reminds us that we are in a war — a spiritual war. We did not declare it. Satan did. And when we enlist in the army of our Lord, that is, when we become a Christian, we are engaged in this tumult. It is a fierce and vicious one. As our Lord said, "Fear not him who is able to destroy the body, but fear him who is able to destroy both body and soul." As a person, all that you are is at stake. With this in mind, we must re-examine our sense of values and decide what is really necessary and vital for triumph.

Once again, the call comes to you to "CLEAR THE DECKS FOR ACTION!" Don't let any of the trivialities of life deter you from a course of spiritual action that will insure victory. Join in the fight for faith. Meet Christ and His Church first. Learn the lessons in your Church and Church School that will enable you to be a good soldier of Christ. Our people have always been willing to pay the price of victory. With the help of God, we will do the job.

We want to win the world for Christ! Right now we are concentrating on Fort Wayne, Indiana. Bring some one to Church School with you next Sunday. You and 10 others will help us reach our immediate objective. See you in Church School next Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

John W. Williams,
Associate-Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 10, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	11	.75
Nursery Department	23	3.72
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	31	2.81
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	38	3.52
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	50	7.24
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	14	1.75
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	9	1.35
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	22	7.43
James Naile, Teacher		
Colleg Class	4	1.09
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	30	19.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	41	26.10
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	33	17.38
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	23	13.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	18	4.61
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Bible Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	9	5.25
Officers	1	
Totals	363	\$98.87

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10:30 A.M. Beginners Workshop for Children age 4 and 5 years.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

September 10, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	344
Church School	363
Regular Church Offering	1075.08
Building Fund Offering	152.25
Church Schol Offering	98.87

Total Offerings\$1326.20

BEGINNERS CHURCH

There will be a Beginners Workshop for children 4 and 5 years of age during the Morning Service. Mrs. John Williams is the leader-teacher of this group for September.

IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Ralph Richard and her family in the recent death of her father, Mr. Ernest Scott, August 22, 1961 in Kunkle, Ohio.

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Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hendricks Love and her family in the loss of her father last Sunday.

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We wish to express our deep and sincere sympathy to Mrs. Mary Higdon, who recently lost her father by death.

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We pray that God will sustain and comfort these families in their time of sadness.

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STORK NEWS

Gregory Martin has come to make his home with the Romane Cole's. Gregory was born September 11. Sincere congratulations to him and his family.

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PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Ralph Richard was in Lutheran Hospital, the latter part of August, for observation.

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Mrs. Willis Van Alstine is a patient in Room 560 Lutheran Hospital.

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'58 CLASS — S.O.S.

The '58 Class would like donations of good used clothing and bedding to send to their Foster-child and family in Korea. The girls' ages are: 13, 15, 19; the boy is 6. Please leave your donations at the Church or call T-34880 for pick-up.

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Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 28, 1961

Number 51

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Your church is looking for men and women! No, not just men and women, but men and women who will dare to try being "God's men and women"! Men and women:

- Who put God's business above any other business.
- Who bring their children to Church rather than sending them.
- Who are willing to be the right example to every boy and girl they meet.
- Who think more of their Sunday School Class than they do of sleeping and loafing.
- Who measure their giving by what they have left rather than the amount they give.
- Who go to church for Christ's sake rather than for himself or someone else.
- Who have a passion to help rather than to be helped.
- Who can see their own faults before they see others.
- Who are more concerned about winning others for Christ than they are about winning worldly honor.

The Religious Education Committee have planned a most interesting program to stimulate an interest in the Word of God. There are classes in every age group that can help you to a better understanding of God's Word. Why not help the Bible School reach its 528 persons thrust its needs this Sunday to fling the Rocket for Inner Space into orbit! You can help with the energy you can provide to get your class into orbit. You may be just the family we will need to get the power needed to get the Bible School Rocket into orbit. Let us all pitch in and help!

Sunday morning's sermon will try to help you see that many things are "Holy But Stained". That is Penitence is holy, but it is often stained with insincerity; Worship is holy, but often stained by a lack of spiritual perception; Prayer is holy, but often stained by selfishness; Service is holy, but often stained by the whining and complaining we do before doing some service; Giving is holy, but stained by pretense, or marred by selfishness.

God is no mendicant begging for a handout, nor for your attendance at a service when your heart and mind are absent. (But go ahead, bring your body here, I'll see I can help God reach your heart and mind!) I didn't want to provide another excuse for someone's absence!! See you in the House of God!

BEGINNERS CHURCH

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CHI RHO CORNER

13 Chi Rho's were present at an organizational meeting held recently. Worship was conducted by the sponsor. There will be Election of Officers on October 1st.

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CHI RHO DISTRICT MEET

Sunday, September 23 — Camp Barbee. Those members going are asked to bring a sack lunch with them when they come to Church. This will be the noon meal and will be eaten enroute. We shall leave the Church at 12:30 P.M. and go directly to Camp Barbee at North Webster. The meeting is scheduled for 1:30 to 7:30 P.M.

WE NEED DRIVERS to furnish transportation for the youth who are going. Please contact Mrs. Hendricks Love.

Swimming will be the recreation, weather permitting. Registration fee \$1.00. The Evening meal will be provided at the Meet.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The first meeting of the Fall Season will be a Breakfast on Saturday morning, September 30, at 8 o'clock. As we are approaching the Crusade for Christ, we feel this is an opportunity for the men of the Church to fellowship together in preparation for the Crusade. We urge you to keep this date open and join us for an hour of worship and fellowship.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETREAT BARBEE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Oct. 6, 7, 8

Dr. John Harms, General Executive Secretary, Association of Christian Churches in Indiana, and Rev. George Wascovich will be the speakers. Rev. John Williams will conduct a Workshop on Evangelism. William Wetzel is in charge of music.

Mr. William Ganter is in charge of registrations; the deadline for Registrations is October 1st. The fee is \$3.00.

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During September

ELDERS: SEPTEMBER 24, 1961

F. E. Morrical — W. C. Birkhold

DEACONS — For September

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Donald C. Smith

Ben G. Taylor

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NOTES

Mrs. Hendricks Love wishes to thank all those who sent messages, cards, flowers, food, and all other expressions of sympathy and comfort which helped to lighten her sadness at the death of her mother.



CHURCH GUIDES

Beginning next Sunday Morning, the Elders serving, will retire to the Chance following the Morning Service for the purpose of meeting and guiding any friends or visitors present who may wish to make a tour of the Church.

Mr. Walter Birkhold and Mr. Floyd Morrical will serve as Guides this next Sunday

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The worst of all our churches woes
Are empty seats in the down front rows
With all seats filled in the first few rows
We find attendance grows and grows.

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CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

September 17, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	1.12
Nursery Department	17	1.99
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	25	1.43
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	32	3.60
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	47	7.33
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	16	1.76
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	10	2.25
Mr. & Mrs. Rolph Church		
High School Department	30	6.15
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	7	2.90
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
1st '58 Class	22	13.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
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Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	35	17.25
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	21	14.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	19	3.63
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Studies Bible Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	7.50
Officers	4	
Totals	360	\$107.31

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

The week of September 24 - October 1, 1961 is Christian Education Week. The Brotherhood of which we are a part is uniting with other communions in this observance. This one week is set aside, not that we should forget the importance of Christian Education throughout the rest of the year, but that we should emphasize it's importance and significance continuously.

It should ever be remembered that education is taking place, our minds are constantly being trained. The question is, HOW? The Church seeks to provide the answer by saying, "With a **CHRISTIAN** education." Without looking too far beneath the surface, we readily discover that education is a two-fold process. (1) It is imparting. (2) It is receiving. We cannot give that which we do not possess. If we possess a Christian Education, we must share it.

Unlike education in the Public School System, we have no required examinations at certain intervals, upon which our progressive development depends. The **RECEIVING** part of Christian Education is often cloaked and shrouded in mystery. Just how much people **RECEIVE** is difficult to determine. No matter how much we **IMPART**, the important consideration of the Church's program of Christian Education should always be how much do we **RECEIVE**!

Christian Education is not an end in itself. It is the means to an end. The desired objective is transformed life. When our lives are transformed, we visualize the fruits, we see how much **RECEIVING** has taken place. As our lives grow physically from day to day, so, too, our souls grow or they die.

In the growing process of Christian Education, there are eight objectives: (1) Believe in God and feel near to Him. (2) Understand the life and teachings of Jesus, and follow Him. (3) Study the Bible, learn to love it, and use it as a guide to daily living. (4) Develop Christian character. (5) Recognize the importance of the Christian family, and love the members of one's own family. (6) Learn about the work of the Church and take part in it. (7) Build a Christian world in which everyone may live as a son of God and as a brother to all men. (8) Strive to discover the purpose and plan of God for our world and our lives.

Christian Education takes place when our lives are big enough to let God live in them. Is there "Space" for Him? There is "Space" for you at 9:15 A.M. each Sunday here at First Christian Church. See you then.

John W. Williams,
Associate Minister

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

September 17, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	411
Church School	360
Regular Church Offering	1004.10
Building Fund Offering	103.50
Church School Offering	107.31
Total Offerings	\$1214.91

CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will begin their rehearsals this Thursday and every Thursday evening at 7:30 P.M. We cordially invite every one who likes to sing to join us on rehearsal night.

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'58 CLASS — S.O.S.

The '58 Class would like donations of good used clothing and bedding to send to their Foster-child and family in Korea. The girls' ages are: 13, 15, 19; the boy is 6. Please leave your donations at the Church or call T-34880 for pick-up.

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"RACE FOR INNER SPACE" CHURCH SCHOOL — GOALS

Class	Average	
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Women's	6	6
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Come-Double	45	60
Fifty-Eight	37	50
College	8	10
High School	30	35
Junior High Dept.	28	33
Junior Dept.	55	60
Primary	42	47
Kindergarten	36	40
Nursery	22	25
Babes & Toddlers	17	22
	421	528

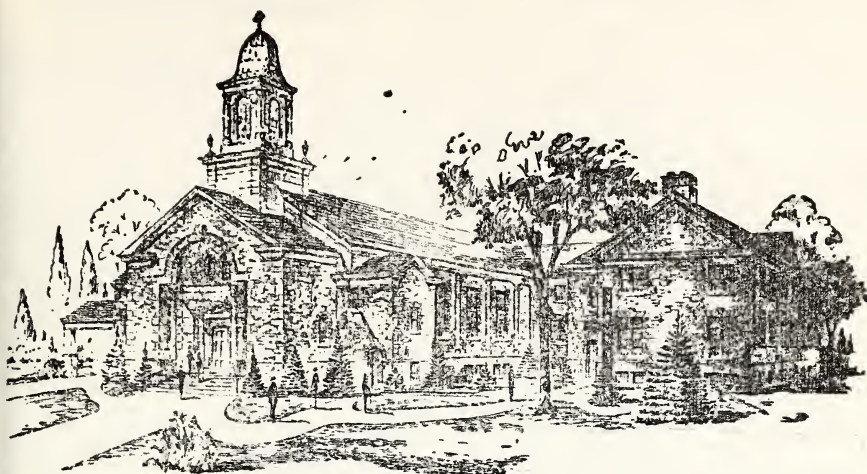
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"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

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"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 19

Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 28, 1961

Number 52

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends of the Upward Way:

This is the week of preparation for the thrust into INNER SPACE! Our Bible School is readying its beautiful silver rocket for a try at orbiting inner space! It will take 528 pounds of thrust, and I know now it will take the greatest effort our Bible School has ever expended if we are to have a successful launching. Don't let these great efforts fail because you withheld your life's thrust! The classes are ready for your attendance and the teachers will be prepared with a message from God which you need for the days ahead! The count-down has begun! Every member of the Bible School and Church ought to be present to send the rocket into orbit for Christ and the Kingdom! The count-down reaches the zero hour at 9:15 A.M. and we will know by 10:30 A.M. whether the launching reached its intended orbit, or whether it failed! I'd hate to think it failed because of my lack of involvement, what about you?

One of the great ministers of our time has written:

"The crucified Christ is looking down upon us with death in His bleeding hands and feet, but life is in the light of His burning eyes, and demanding from us all — every individual man and woman — a choice between glory or force and wrath and fear! — He will not go away! I do not believe He will let us alone! He is going to drive us to a decision with His wounded hands and feet. He will not let us have His world for a battleground, or a playground, a factory, or an empire any longer — we must give it to Him!

We must give it to Him — or else there will be darkness over all the earth from the sixth hour until the ninth — and that may be a thousand years!"

Jesus said: "What shall it profit a man if he should gain the whole world for his gain and lose his soul or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul."

And what should your answer be? And what is your answer by deeds and life?

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Resplendent in our new Robes and stoles, we are off to a flying start in this new season of Music.

We have a new slate of officers; when we met in the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Weicker last week, for our monthly social hour, we elected the following officers for year 1962: Mr. Donald Somers, President; Mrs. Albert Powell, Vice-President; Miss Sue Mowery, Secretary. We are sure these new officers will lead us on to greater heights in endeavoring to sing praises to The Almighty. Won't you come and sing with us?

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Hugh Rice, 5827 Fernwood, at 1 P.M. Tuesday, October 3. Mrs. E. N. Schlatter will give devotions. Program by Mrs. Robert Scott.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain, 2903 Capitol, Wednesday, October 4, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Paul Truby. Worship by Mrs. Robt. Chevalier.

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The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Eugene Klepfer, 806 Ardis Dr. Wednesday, October 4, at 9:00 A.M. Mrs. Charles Frankhousen will be guest speaker. Her subject, "How To Combat Communism." Worship by Mrs. Eural Rose.

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The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Fred Hilker, 926 High St., Wednesday, October 4, at 1:00 P.M.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. O. W. Jenkins, 515 E. Petitt, Thursday evening, October 5, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Irene Cline. Worship by Mrs. Ethel Allen.

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STORK NEWS

Vanessa Sterling is the new little daughter born September 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sterling. Our good wishes go to her and her proud parents.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The first meeting of the Fall Season will be a Breakfast on Saturday morning, September 30, at 8 o'clock. As we are approaching the Crusade for Christ, we feel this is an opportunity for the men of the Church to fellowship together in preparation for the Crusade. We urge you to keep this date open and join us for an hour of worship and fellowship.

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CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETREAT BARBEE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Oct. 6, 7, 8

Dr. John Harms, General Executive Secretary, Association of Christian Churches in Indiana, and Rev. George Wascovich will be the speakers. Rev. John William will conduct a Workshop on Evangelism. William Wetzel is in charge of music.

Mr. William Ganter is in charge of registrations; the deadline for Registration is October 1st. The fee is \$3.00.

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CHI RHO CORNER

98 young people and adults attended the Chi Rho Meet at Camp Barbee last Sunday. Our group had the closing worship.

This week, Marlo Vanderwall will be the leader, and there will be election of officers. We will meet Sunday at 6:30 P.M.

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The Chi Rho Choir will meet for practice Sunday at 6:00 P.M.

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Dear Christian Friends:

Will man reach the moon? Will he ever travel to any great extent, beyond the gravitational pull of the earth and return to tell about it? Will our grandchildren scan the daily newspapers and read the regular rocket schedules to faraway planets? Fifteen years ago, most of us would have answered with a flat NO! Today, we can visualize the possibilities of such journeys. We know that success will come at a great price, if it comes at all.

Many are asking the question, "Why?", in regard to man's attempt to explore the vast unknown. During the Second World War a slogan was coined to save gasoline and other essential materials. "Is this trip necessary?" was a phrase that caused many to think twice before they left home. We might well ask that question about space travel.

If man's attempt to travel in outer space has done nothing else, it has caused many to concern themselves with the ultimate question of the universe. "What about inner space?" Is your life a spiritual vacuum? The most important question that a man can ask himself is: "WHO LIVES INSIDE MY BODY?" The answer to that question will be the skeleton key that will unlock all other mysterious doors of life. Tell me who lives inside your body and I will predict how you will react under given circumstances. Tell me who lives in you and I will tell you what you are living for.

St. Paul speaks to this point when he says, "Christ **IN YOU**, the hope of glory." (Colossians 1:27). "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him and he with me," is not an empty promise. God has taken the initiative and we must respond by hearing His voice and opening the door. The space in your life will be filled if you want it to be.

If there is any "hope in glory," it will materialize when men and women let Christ live in them. No, sir, bombs and bullets, armies and navies, air forces and missiles, economic systems and material achievements will never produce any hope in glory." We **must** "work the works of Him who sent us while it is yet day, for the night cometh when no man works." The world **CAN** be saved, but **ONLY** as Christ wins "THE RACE FOR INNER SPACE." See you Sunday in Church School at 9:15 A.M.

JOHN W. WILLIAMS,
Associate-Minister

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Babies & Toddlers	18	1.25
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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	32	2.56
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	41	4.09
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
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Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
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Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
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Mr. William Franklin		
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Mr. & Mrs. Rolph Church		
High School Department	28	5.60
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Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
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J. E. Weicker		
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Richard Block		
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Stanley Cole		
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Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	45	26.30
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	16.30
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	21	3.87
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

September 24, 1961

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Church School	414
Regular Church Offering	817.74
Building Fund Offering	156.25
Church School Offering	144.69

Total Offerings\$1118.68

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE Officers Serving During October

ELDERS: October 1, 1961

Robert Rayl — David Griggs

DEACONS: October

Captain — Ted E. Bryan, T-0250

Harold Addison
Herdis G. Helmuth
Hendricks Love
Lawrence Horn
Max Finkhausen
William Ganter
Merland Heller
Andrew Cook
Charles Speicher
Fred Smell
Harry Imbody

DEACONESS for October

Mrs. J. R. Shockney

HOSPITALITY — Chairman

Mrs. Hugh Rice

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CHURCH GUIDES

Next Sunday Morning, the Elders serving will retire to the Chancel following the Morning Service for the purpose of meeting and guiding any friends or visitors present who may wish to make a tour of the Church.

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THE FRIENDLY CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. Merland Heller, 3224 Broadway on Friday evening, October 6, at 8:00 P.M.

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers last week were given by Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Truby.

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Number 1

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

The following statement appears in an exciting new book by one of the great minds of this century, Dr. Elton Trueblood's, **The Company of the Committed**:

Christians have no monopoly on commitment; they simply have a different object. A Christian is a person who confesses that, amidst the manifold and confusing voices heard in the world, there is one Voice which supremely wins his full assent, uniting all his powers, intellectual and emotional, into a single pattern of self-giving. That Voice is Jesus Christ. A Christian not only believes THAT He was; he believes IN HIM with all his heart and strength and mind. Christ appears to the Christian as the one stable point or fulcrum in all the relativities of history. Once the Christian has made this primary commitment he still has perplexities, but he begins to know the joy of being used for a mighty purpose, by which his little life is dignified." (p. 23)

We shall not be saved by anything less than commitment, and the commitment will not be effective unless it finds expression in a committed fellowship.

Here is a book that excites the reader with the potential greatness of the Church, but saddens the heart as one discerns the glaring weaknesses within the fellowship of the followers of Christ. Too often the Church rejoices at the superficial signs of her success and tends to ignore the signs of her demise. We will be thinking of the signs and symptoms of both the death and life of the Church fellowship. We shall think out what is involved in being a "Soldier of the Cross". What is a Christian? Is it the same as a "Church Member"? I think not! And I'll tell you why not this coming Sunday. We shall think about the theme of what it means to take seriously the call of Christ to be sons and daughters of God.

Sunday's Sermon: "ALERTED AND COMMITTED"

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Marlo Vanderwall will lead devotions next Sunday eve.

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BASKETBALL

Boys from age 8 to 11 years, who are interested in attending a Saturday morning Class of Athletic activities should meet in the Church gym Saturday morning, October 14, at 9 o'clock. This class will be primarily for the purpose of teaching basketball fundamentals. Mr. James Heaven, coach, will conduct this group.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Don C. Smith, 4033 Euclid Ave., Monday October 9, at 8:00 P.M. The program will be presented by Miss Pearl Heidecker and Mrs. O. R. Kuhlman. Miss Nancy Woodul will bring the worship.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. George Bruckman, 3729 South Drive Tuesday, October 10 at 8:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Robert Perkins, Worship by Mrs. Edwin Hall. Mrs. Bruckman will be assisted by Mrs. Paul Yentes as co-hostess.

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The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Irene Kissinger, 1007 Northwood, Wednesday, October 11, at 8:30 P.M. Program by Mrs. LeRoy Timbrook, Worship by Mrs. Ward Bundy.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Harold Crowder, 447 Lenox Ave., Wednesday, October 11, at 8:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. George Wascovich, Worship by Mrs. Crowder.

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*"Bring them
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admonition
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Eph. 6:4

There is no substitute
for Christian training
by Christian parents
in a Christian home.

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WORSHIP TOGETHER

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Dear Christian Friends:

Last Sunday's Church School attendance was a thrilling witness to your faith and hope. By your attendance you said that you believed that the hope of the world is Christian Education. We fell considerably short of reaching our goal for last Sunday, but it was not a discouraging situation. There was much reason to rejoice. Only three classes — Come-Double, High School and Junior High — reached their "Blast-Off" goals. They are to be congratulated. Several classes almost reached their goals. Be not disheartened. "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." Next Sunday you will have another opportunity to "get into orbit."

Next Sunday, October 8, 1961, those who have had perfect attendance for the past twelve months will be recognized in the assembly at 9:15 A.M. All classes are urged to attend the assembly in the Sanctuary. Immediately following the assembly classes will retire to their respective rooms. Remember, the assembly starts promptly at 9:15 A.M. You won't want to be late!

Teachers and officers and the Christian Education Committee have made definite requirements for attendance pins to be awarded next year at this time. The only absence that a person may have, and still be eligible for the award will be one caused by illness or extreme emergency. The pupil must have a note from his parents telling of illness or emergency reasons the Sunday following his absence. If the pupil is out of the city, he must attend Church School where he is. This includes vacation.

Our Church School is growing, in number as well as in spirit. It will continue to grow as long as men and women, boys and girls make room for Christ in their lives and hearts. When Christ comes to live with us, we share His concern and compassion "for the multitudes." More so, we share His concern for the individual, for the "Ninety and Nine," yes, but for the one alone who needs to be in the fold.

Bring the entire family to Church School next Sunday. God has something to say to you through the dedicated teachers who bring His message each Sunday morning at 9:15 A.M. Invite your friends and neighbors, too.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 1, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	434
Church School	470
Regular Church Offering	1469.00
Building Fund Offering	293.20
Church School Offering	161.91

Total Offerings\$1924.11

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY DAY

CLASS GOALS . . . OCTOBER 15, 1961

Men's Class	\$ 75.00
Ladies Bible Class	15.00
Friendly Class	40.00
Progressive Class	175.00
Berean Class	150.00
Come-Double Class	175.00
'58 Class	85.00
College Class	10.00
High School Dept.	40.00
Junior High Dept.	20.00
Junior Department	25.00
Primary Dept.	15.00
Kindergarten	5.00
Nursery	4.00
Babes & Toddlers	2.00

October 15 — Christian Theological Seminary Day . . . \$1500.00

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PRAYER CORNER

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Harold Addison and his family in the recent death of his father, September 29, 1961.

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Mrs. A. N. Shockney is a patient at Lutheran Hospital, Room 593.

Mr. Charles Tharp has gone back into the hospital this week, he is in Room 561, Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Richard Baker is a patient in Lutheran hospital, Room 584.

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YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION

TO

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BALANCE DUE:\$ 94,698.45

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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH" "AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 20 Fort Wayne, Indiana, October 12, 1961 Number 2

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Did you know that several of our church families have felt the crisis of our age more deeply as they have seen loved ones called into active military service with the national guard of Indiana? Have you felt concern that many of the men and their families will know severe loneliness and heartache, as well as face severe financial crisis in many instances? But, you see, their nation has called them and they had no alternative. But what of those who remain at home? Are we free of obligation to make some sacrifices worthy of theirs? They are leaving families and friends, risking life and limb for freedom's holy cause? What are we risking? Let us join hearts with those who form our shield! Let us undergird their sacrifices with our own! And by starting right now . . .

George F. Burba has written:

"I do not understand it, any more than you do, but there is something about giving that blesses us . . . Those who give most, have most left . . . I believe that everyone who dries a tear will be spared the shedding of a thousand tears . . . I believe that every sacrifice we make will so enrich us in the future that our regret will be we did not sacrifice more!"

JESUS said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

By your giving of your time and money you can invest that much of yourself in immortality. Invested in immortal lives, your money and time can shape the destiny of the years to come, mould character, give hope and courage to millions who are asking their all, spell opportunity and lengthen days, wipe away tears, and build for you an inheritance beyond the reach of moth and rust!

Some of you have said to me, "Preacher, I can't afford to tithe!" That's what a young father of three children said recently to me when he donned the uniform of his country . . . "I can't afford to go" . . . BUT HE WENT! Our Air National Guard has been called to service for one year, why not pledge to God your tithe at least for at one year! It will still be easier for those who remain at home, than for those who turn out to the ramparts of the brave and the free!

Sunday is CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL DAY . . . GOAL: \$1,500! Bring your gifts to the Lord! Sunday's Sermon: "AN ANGEL IN THE STORM".

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BASKETBALL

Boys from age 8 to 11 years, who are interested in attending a Saturday morning Class of Athletic activities should meet in the Church gym Saturday morning, October 14, at 9 o'clock. This class will be primarily for the purpose of teaching basketball fundamentals. Mr. James Heavin, coach, will conduct this group.

THE MAN THE CHURCH NEEDS

1. The man who puts God's business above any other business.
2. The man who brings his children to church rather than sends them.
3. The man who is willing to be the right example to every boy he meets.
4. The man who thinks more of his Sunday School class than he does of his Sunday sleep.
5. The man who measures his giving by what he has left rather than the amount he gives.
6. The man who goes to church for Christ's sake rather than for himself or someone else.
7. The man who has a passion to help rather than be helped.
8. The man who can see his own faults before he sees the faults of others.
9. The man who is more concerned about winning souls for Christ than he is about winning worldly honor.

—Selected

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

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CHI RHO CORNER

16 Chi Rho members and 1 guest were present for a service to install new officers. The Installation service was led by J. A. Vanderwall, the out-going president.

Next week, Nathan Love will be the worship leader and there will be a panel discussion following worship.

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PRAYER CORNER

Jo Ella Bragg underwent an emergency appendectomy at Parkview Hospital this last week.

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It is impossible to shirk any responsibility that rightfully belongs to us. We may deny that it is ours, may refuse the duty or the blame that attaches to it, but the responsibility we cannot escape.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 8, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	.73
Nursery Department	25	2.97
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	35	2.62
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	50	5.30
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	54	8.76
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	20	2.90
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	14	2.65
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	38	5.28
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	8	2.20
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
the '58 Class	31	16.30
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	50	29.50
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	51	34.00
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	36	26.80
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	14	3.50
Mrs. Albert Eglv		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Babies Bible Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	12	7.25
Officers	4	
Totals	460	\$151.31

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

We are still in "THE RACE FOR INNER SPACE!" Several classes have not blasted off the ground, and we are anxious that they come through with a successful shot. **These classes HAVE NOT orbited yet:**

CLASS	GOAL FOR BLAST-OFF
Men's Class	15
Women's Class	6
Friendly Class	27
Progressive Class	50
Fifty-Eight Class	50
College Class	10
Junior Department	60
Kindergarten Department	40
Babes & Toddlers	22

All the rest have reached their orbit and are traveling in space. It takes considerably less to travel once you have orbited, but you must orbit first in order to travel in space.

Each class is urged to do its best. Contact all absentees and get busy with the job of building your class. Each person is important in the eyes of God and should be important to each class. Make that extra effort to bring that absentee and the new friend you met last week.

Remember AAA — O means Anywhere, Anything, Anytime, Bar Nothing for God. Let's put this slogan to work in our lives and build the Kingdom of God with it as a battle cry. You will succeed, your class will succeed and your Church School will succeed if we only try it.

Special congratulations are in order for the Berean, Come-Double, High School Classes and the Junior High, Primary and Nursery Departments for reaching and exceeding their goals. See you at 9:15 A.M. next Sunday.

John W. Williams,
Associate Minister



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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 8, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	401
Church School	460
Regular Church Offering	1009.60
Building Fund Offering	255.05
Church School Offering	151.31
Christian Theological Seminary	170.00
Total Offerings	\$1585.96

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

October is the month for the Harvest Ingathering for the Emily Flinn Home at Marion.

Tuesday, October 17 the ladies of the church will make a trip to Marion to visit the guests in the Home. The women will leave the Church at Noon. Every woman is invited and those needing transportation should contact Mrs. George Bruckman, T-0459, or Mrs. Robert Perkins H-19624.


Cartons will be placed at the side entrances for receiving your gifts of canned food and suitable clothing. Gifts of money are also welcome.

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BOOKS

The books listed here are available to families in the church. Those wishing to read any one of them may stop in at the office and pick it up. The books are

"Families in the Church"
"Sex Ways in Fact and Faith"
"Facts of Live and Love"
"Before You Marry"
"Being Married"
"This Man and This Woman"



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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends of the Upward Way:

When the last gift was tabulated for the Christian Theological Seminary Sunday, the total amount received was \$1,324.00, or just \$176 short of the total goal, and there were many who have not yet had the opportunity to make their gifts! This is clear evidence of our growing concern for Christian causes! A word of appreciation is certainly in order. It is deserving of the tribute, "Well done, good and faithful servants!" If you haven't made your gift, then help us to go over the top for Christ!

Did you ever read the tremendous book, **HUMAN DESTINY**, by Pierre Lecompte du Loup? It should be a must for every thinking man and woman. Here is a sample of what the book, by a great scientist, is all about:

"The time has come for nations, as well as individuals, to know what they want. If civilized countries WANT peace, they must understand that the problem must be approached basically. The old scaffolding willed to us by past generations cracks on every side. It cannot be consolidated by makeshifts, by bits of string, by pots of glue and treaties gravely signed by Highly-Dignified-Gentlemen. Moreover, consolidation does not suffice. **PEACE MUST BE ESTABLISHED BY TRANSFORMING MAN FROM THE INTERIOR AND NOT BY ERECTING EXTERNAL STRUCTURES.** We have already said it: the source of all wars, the source of all evil, lies in us. No outside protection will be efficient if the enemy cowering at the bottom of our hearts is authorized to live.

- - - - - All pseudo-mysticisms — social, philosophical or political — must be replaced by the Christian mysticism, the only one based on liberty and the respect of human dignity."

Then the great scientist suggests a daily prayer be taught to all our children so that in time it might become a life-creed: "EVERY PROMISE IS SACRED. NO ONE IS OBLIGED TO GIVE A PLEDGE, BUT HE WHO BREAKS HIS GIVEN WORD IS DISREGARDED. HE COMMITS AN UNPARDONABLE CRIME AGAINST HIS DIGNITY, HE BETRAYS: HE COVERS HIMSELF WITH SHAME: HE EXCLUDES HIMSELF FROM HUMAN SOCIETY."

Let us grow toward the Christian ideal: becoming Christlike sons and daughters of God.

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Lawrence Horn
Max Finkhausen
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HELPS
YOU

BUILD A LIFE

For God

The blessings that come
from God are the true
rewards to the tither.

“see that ye abound in this
grace . . .” 2 Cor. 8:7

FIRST

HONOR GOD
WITH THE TITHE

Conversion is that change, sudden or gradual, by which we pass from the kingdom of self to the Kingdom of God, thru the grace and power of Jesus Christ.

—E. Stanley Jones

YOUR CHURCH CAN UNDERGIRD THE MINISTRY

—By bringing dignity and Christian ethics into all relationships of the church and its ministry.

—By enlisting the finest young people from your congregation.

—By supporting the colleges and seminaries.

—By encouraging long pastorates.

—By reviewing the salary regularly and adjusting it to living costs.

—Through Pension Plan participation.

—Through making available such educational opportunities as Sabbatical leave, refresher courses and book allowances, providing a place and time for study.

—By letting your pastor know of time of joy, illness, uncertainty and sorrow.

—Through the “Week of Ministry,” honoring retired ministers, missionaries, and those who have gone into active service from your congregation.

—Through sharing his abilities in community, brotherhood and ecumenical enterprises.

—By praying for the minister.

—By making the pastoral relationship so happy and worthwhile in building the Kingdom of God that youth may hear and answer the call.

“Week of the Ministry”
Pension Fund
of Christian Churches

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CHI RHO CORNER

14 members of Chi Rho were present last Sunday; An offering of \$1.23 was received. Greg McDowell will be worship leader next Sunday. Also, there will be a guest speaker.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Robert Westerfield and her family in the recent loss of her father.

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Let us Christians take pride in our great traditions and cling to them. Since our souls have direct access to God, let us freely practice His presence at all times. Let us read the Bible which is the authority for life; and let us stand fast in the freedom wherewith Christ has set us free.

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Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
indergarten	30	4.24
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
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primary Department	43	7.88
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
junior Department	51	20.27
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Our Church School is making progress in "THE RACE FOR INNER SPACE." To date, six classes have made the grade, putting their rockets into orbit with outstanding attendance. We are still counting on the nine other classes to muster their energy and "blast-off" into space. We know that every class can succeed with maximum effort from each and every member. Success will come to your class at the price of great effort from each member. Remember, your class is depending on you. Last week, four of our classes—Berean, High School, Junior High and Primary—continued to move out into space.

Immediately following World War II, with the creation of the United Nations, we suddenly found ourselves in the middle of a world of conflict and tension. Those who traveled and returned with information about the situation told us that the uncertainty of the picture was the direct result of a vacuum in the lives of people all over the world. This one thing we could be certain about — men's lives will not continue long this way. They will be filled with something! To our regret, much of this vacuum has been filled with communism.

In the past few months, the urgency to fill men's lives with the Spirit of Christ has not been lessened one bit. To the contrary, it has been magnified. All over our country people are becoming aware that Christ and His Gospel is the only answer to men's needs. Whatever else men may try, put it to the test and see if it will suffice. Twenty centuries have taught us that Christ and Christ only is able to minister to the critical needs of men at his most crucial junctures of life. If it has worked for them in the past, it will work for us today. Jesus Christ is "the same yesterday, today and forever."

Many have asked what the Church is able to do about the world situation. I am here to answer that it can do very little until it is able to do something about you and me. There is very little that you or I can do, as individuals, about the paganisms that would engulf the world little by little in faraway places. But we can begin right at home with the first personal pronoun, singular, and that is to be the best and do the best that we can. We can join together as individuals, and unite our hearts in the Church of Jesus Christ and commit our entire being to witnessing for Him.

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Church School Offering	689.45
Christian Theological Seminary	460.35
Total Offerings	\$2530.32


MINISTER ELECTED

On October 4th, at the business session of the International Convention of Christian Churches held recently in Kansas City, Rev. Wascovich was one of ten ministers of the Brotherhood elected to the Board of Directors of Unified Promotion.

Unified Promotion has been termed the "Community Chest of Christian Churches" with the responsibility of the World Mission of the Church operating on an annual budget of four million dollars.

First Christian Church is delighted to serve the brotherhood through her minister who is also a member of the Home and State Missions Planning Council of the brotherhood.

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Dear Friends in Christ:

Sunday it was my privilege to share the Day of Evangelism of our sister congregation in Winchester, Indiana. I deeply missed sharing the wonderful worship services of our own Church. I'm delighted that Brother John was so well received by our people. I've heard a great deal of favorable comments on the fine sermon and worship service on Sunday morning.

Among some of the inspiring responses to the challenge of our day, one of the most inspiring is the response of many of our people to the idea of "Study Groups." It has been my privilege to meet with two that have already begun, the first in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith, and the Second, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Caldwell. There is room for a few more in these two groups, and we are open to any other home that would like to be a center of "Christian Concern." Any man or woman at refusal to think about the times in which he lives and probe for some answers in a day of bewilderment, is certain to fall prey to fear and frustration! I think the ideal "CELLS OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN" or "Centers of Christian Commitment" would be a fine name for groups of Christians banding together to seek for God's will in this hour of crisis. How about it, will you get together a group of 5 or 6 couples to study God's will for a wayward world? Perhaps, some fine lady would like to gather 5 or 6 women for a study hour some morning, or afternoon during the week — if so, please contact the office. We'd like to begin Bible Study groups that would be vital centers of Christian concern and commitment. The ministers of the Church will provide the leadership for the groups, but you must provide the group! Let's go to work on this ideal!

Sunday morning we will have as our guest one of the fine young leaders of our otherhood. Mr. Jack Reeve will be with us for the morning worship and will lead the first of three brief instruction periods for those who will CRUSADE FOR CHRIST. The meeting with the Crusaders will be held in Fellowship Hall at 2:30 P.M. Let's have 100% attendance!

Robert E. Luccock recently wrote: "THE GOSPEL EXPLAINS VERY LITTLE. BUT IT CHANGES ALL THINGS." Surely we can hold with the unnumbered men of faith who knew that God would not fail them; courage in place of cowardice; hope in the place of despair; joy in place of sorrow; and life where often death seems to reign!

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BASKETBALL

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NURSERY NOTES

Mrs. Likens, Nursery attendant, would appreciate it very much if mothers would not only mark their diaper bags with the family name, but also their baby's bottles. This will safeguard your baby. There are many babies and all bottles look alike. Thank you for your cooperation.

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NOTES

The Kepple Circle, Mrs. Helmuth, leader, have available **One Pound Fruit Cakes** at \$1.00

Please call Mrs. Helmuth, E-3094, or Mrs. Chevalier, K-6094.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Spice Circle will meet with Mrs. Eural Rose, 3819 Hastings Rd., Wednesday, November 1st, at 9:00 A.M. Mrs. Charles Frankhouser, guest speaker, will be introduced by Mrs. Wm. Ganter. Mrs. Frankhouser will speak on the subject of "Communism." Morning devotions will be led by Mrs. Earl Plummer.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Chevalier, 5211 Lillie St., Wednesday morning, November 1st, at 9 o'clock. Worship by Mrs. F. Wayne Rousseau.

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The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. Cec Rice, 3402 River Forest on Wednesday afternoon, November 1, at 1 o'clock.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Robert Clipp, 1108 McKinnie, Thursday evening, November 2, at 7:45 P.M. Program by Mrs. Clipp, Worship by Mrs. Robert Beal.

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PUBLIC TURKEY DINNER

Sponsored by the Christian Women's Fellowship will be held at First Christian Church, on Friday evening, November 1, from 5 to 7:30 P.M. Price \$1.00 per plate.

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We must discriminate between innovation and renovation. Reformations are simply revivals of truth lost sight of, buried under the rubbish of error.

—A. J. Gordon

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 22, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	10	.75
Nursery Department	18	2.37
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	28	2.82
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	51	5:11
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	58	10.33
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	21	2.25
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	14	2.21
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	31	5.64
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	2	1.25
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
1958 Class	36	17.10
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	38	29.25
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	33	15.86
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	28	13.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	18	3.68
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Studies Class	6	3.35
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.25
Officers	1	
High School Department	14	2.21

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Dear Christian Friends:

One day a husband and wife went shopping. The object of this trip was to buy her a new winter coat. After looking around several stores, the husband, weary of feet and mind, finally commented on the final selection as the best buy. It was easy to see that he was anxious to terminate this tour. In reply to his comment, his wife wheeled around and said, "When I want your opinion, I'll give it to you."

Perhaps one of the most sacred trusts that man can have is the God-given right to form his opinions! Without this, there could never be any such thing as "free-moral-agency." We would be robots. It cost God a terrific price to endow man with this quality of life. Public opinion crucified Jesus, the Christ, at Calvary while the private opinions of His disciples were crushed to earth.

With the highly developed system of communications and the public news media, the Church of Jesus Christ must ask this question: "WHO FORMS YOUR OPINIONS?" It is easy to fall into the rut and be pushed down the road to slavery and sin if we fail to use our minds and form our own opinions. All a potential dictator or foreign ideology would have to do would be to control those factors that determine public opinion; he could move in and take over.

Lest we lull ourselves to sleep, it is high time that we begin to realize that this process is already in motion! The battle for the minds of men is on! Christian teachers and mothers and fathers are standing in the front line trenches doing battle against tyrannical forces, forces that seek to lure us and our children with attractive baits. But for those who would bite, the hook is always there.

To a host of people who had already enslaved themselves by gobbling up lustful lures of materialism and secularism, Jesus said, "YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE." To those who are free, we can remain free only so long as we continue to know the truth. Let us bring our opinions before this standard to have them weighed and judged.

In the Church School, our aim is to bring people and the knowledge of Christ together. Next Sunday and every Sunday at 9:15 A.M. you and your family have an invitation and a responsibility to share in this great enterprise. Will the battle be won by your efforts, or will the Church fail because we forfeited the contest? You have the answer.

John W. Williams,
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 22, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	405
Church School	403
Regular Church Offering	756.88
Building Fund Offering	104.61
Church School Offering	119.22
Christian Theological Seminary	103.56
Total Offerings	\$1084.27

PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Ollie Wiley is a patient in Room 536, Parkview Hospital.

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Mrs. Harley Meadows is also a patient in Parkview, having undergone surgery.

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Mrs. Charles Osborn is a patient in Parkview Hospital.

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Robert Hendricks is in Lutheran Hospital

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CHI RHO CORNER

17 members attended last Sunday evening. Mr. Wetzel spoke on the subject "What Music Means To Me." The offering was \$1.86.

Next Sunday afternoon is Visitation of Shut-ins. Chi Rho will meet at 6:30, where the study on "The Influence of Me" will be continued. Les McDowell will give the devotions.

The Chi Rho Group will have a hay-ride Thursday evening at the Bar-Q, with a halloween party following at Pam Marshall's home, 4907 Buell Drive.

The Chi Rho Choir will sing at the Morning Service on November 5.

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REFORMATION SUNDAY — OCTOBER 2

Protestants believe:

Our spiritual authority is in the Bible.

All believers have direct access to God.

We are justified by faith.

Every Christian should read the Holy Scriptures, try to understand them, and live up to the dictates of an enlightened conscience.

There are two vital and necessary sacraments — Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Church and state should be separate but not exclusive of each other.

As Christians believing in the freedom of conscience, and as Americans believing in our national traditions, we are deeply and resolutely committed to the separation of Church and state as a sound principle verified by our own experience.

—National Council of Churches

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YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION

TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE: \$ 94,698.45

DUE EACH MONTH\$ 1,200.00

FIRST SUNDAY IN EACH MONTH

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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 20

Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 2, 1961

Number 5

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

It was a thrilling sight to see 434 people in Bible School last Sunday, and almost that many in the Worship Service. Our minds were stimulated as we listened to the message brought to us by Mr. Jack Reeve. Climaxing our Worship Service, seven people came forward to either make their confession of faith in Christ or to place their membership in our Church Family. Four of these were united with Christ by burial in Christian baptism and resurrection into newness of life. This was the most important single event in the life of these people. And what a glorious privilege it was for our congregation to witness this act!

Another spiritual highlight that I would like to tell you about was the afternoon meeting with Mr. Reeve and 52 other dedicated men of God who came to the Church for fellowship and instruction to enable them to participate effectively in the "CRUSADE FOR CHRIST." Following this session I journeyed to Auburn where I conducted a session on the meaning of the Church for about 100 members of that sister congregation. It is always a joy to share insights and convictions with other Christians!

Concerning our future, let me say that our Church is facing a great challenge. The leaders of the free world have stated bluntly that the destination of civilization lies in the hands of the Church, its leaders and membership. Honestly, isn't it just frightening to think that the destiny of the world lies in hands like ours? In the light of our expectations of the future, permit me to say four things:

TIME APPEARS TO BE SHORT!

WORLD TENSIONS INCREASE THE THREAT OF GLOBAL WAR!

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST HOLDS THE ONLY HOPE!

COMMIT YOURSELF AS A MEMBER OF CHRIST'S CHURCH TO WITNESS FOR HIM!

SERMON: "MAN, AN EXILE IN SEARCH OF A LOST KINGDOM"

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AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During November, 1961

ELDERS: November 5—

William Crouse — William Caldwell

DEACONS: November—

Captain—John J. Jefferies, T-34414

Robert R. Chevalier

Rufus S. Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroff

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

Wm. E. Franklin

Carl H. Thomas

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Myron M. Cole

Romane H. Cole

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Mrs. Edwin R. Hall

HOSPITALITY: November

Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, Chairman

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Mrs. A. N. Shockney wishes to take this means of thanking the members of the church and friends, for their cards, messages of cheer and many other kindnesses shown her during her recent illness. They were greatly appreciated.

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Also, Mrs. Shockney would appreciate those who volunteer blood, give it in her name. This blood given in her name would replace the blood used for her while she was a patient in the hospital.

Thank you!

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PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Cora Reynolds underwent surgery at Parkview Hospital on Tuesday of this week. She is in Room 342.

Our Craig Wascovich fell last Saturday while playing and broke his arm. We are happy to report that he is coming along fine and is well enough to attend school.

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TITHING IS LOVE IN ACTION —

FOR YOU —

GOD GAVE HIS SON —

CHRIST GAVE HIS LIFE—

HEAVEN GAVE ITS PRINCE—

WHAT ARE YOU GIVING FOR HIM?

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SERVICES

Mrs. Merl Teeters, A-58144, is interested in Baby Sitting work. Mrs. Teeters is a fine Christian woman, and is a member of this Church. We believe you will find her dependable and kind.

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CHI RHO CORNER

15 members were in attendance last Sunday evening. Offering \$13.00.

The study of "Influences and Attitudes" will continue with the reports on famous men and women who have overcome physical handicaps.

Chip Allen will conduct the worship, and there will be recreation in the Gym.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

The 1961-62 Season begins next Sunday evening, November 5th from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. A fine program is being planned for the evening, from 5:30 to 6:30 in the Sanctuary. At 6:45 refreshments will be served in Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Edwin Allen in charge.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

One of the most wonderful opportunities is coming your way. It is a course for those who are interested in Christian Education in the Church School. Last week, I had the privilege of sitting down with Miss Martha Jones, Director of Christian Education at West Creighton Avenue Church, and Mrs. Fred Mackle, Superintendent of North Christian Church School, and planning a school for leadership.

This school for leadership is a joint venture of Churches, with people from all three serving in leadership capacities. It is to be conducted on successive Monday nights, beginning November 13 and continuing through December 4, 1961. The meetings will begin promptly at 7:30 P.M. and will be dismissed at 9:00 P.M. Fees for the school will be \$2.00 per person, and this includes the price of the text books. Because we would like to give individual attention to people in small groups, we are limiting the number that can attend from each Church. We can only have twenty-five people to register from this Church.

Classes will give attention to all areas of Church School life, beginning with the Nursery and continuing through the Adult Departments. Special attention will be given to Adult Counselors for Sunday Evening Youth groups.

This is the type of thing that you have been wanting, and we are eager and ready to serve you. Emphasis will be placed upon the content and method of teaching in the Church School. In a few days, teachers will receive registration blanks. We urge you to make your decision to attend these four sessions. If you cannot attend, please see that someone in your class receives this information and profits by it. Remember, **ONLY 25** can register. **YOU** should be the first.

REMEMBER: Our School for Christian living gets under way this Sunday Night at 5:30 P.M. here at the Church. A special filmstrip, "THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS," will be shown and discussed. See you in Church School this coming Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

John W. Williams,
Associate-Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

October 29, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	11	.84
Nursery Department	20	3.74
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	27	2.03
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	50	4.28
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	61	9.22
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	14	1.68
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	10	2.17
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	32	4.42
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	6	2.15
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	40	23.64
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	50	29.47
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	41	15.56
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	33	18.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	22	5.27
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Class	5	1.25
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.75
Officers	1	
High School Department	1	
Totals	434	\$130.72

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

October 29, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	385
Church School	434
Regular Church Offering	924.57
Building Fund Offering	155.20
Church School Offering	130.72
Christian Theological Seminary	5.00

Total Offerings\$1215.49

CORRECTION

PUBLIC TURKEY DINNER

Friday, November 3, 1961 — 5 to 7:30 P.M.

PRICE \$1.35 per plate

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. M. G. Heller, 3224 Broadway, Tuesday, November 7 at 1:30 P.M. Mrs. Huce will present the program. Worship by Mrs. Neil Allen.

The Esther Circle will meet with Mr. R. Blaine Jones, 3609 So. Monroe Street, Wednesday, November 8, at 6:30 P.M. Program by Mrs. Ward Bundy; Worship by Mrs. Mary Wagner.

The Fellowship Guild will meet with Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 So. Fairheld Avenue, Monday evening, November 13, at 8 P.M. Program by Miss Nancy Woodhull and Miss Mildred Hartman; Worship by Mrs. Vaught.

The Montgomery Circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Perkins, 241 E. Woodland Avenue, Tuesday evening, November 14, at 7 P.M. Mrs. Jack Williams will assist the hostess. The program was arranged by Mrs. Harold Norabloom. Guest Speaker, Mrs. Paul Norris, who will speak concerning "Retarded Children". Mrs. Aaron Smith will give devotions.

NOTES

The Kepple Circle, Mrs. Helmuth, lead have available **One Pound Fruit Cakes** \$1.00

Please call Mrs. Helmuth, E-3094, or Mr. Chevalier, K-6094.

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YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION

TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE:\$93,932.48

DUE EACH MONTH.....\$ 1,200.00

FIRST SUNDAY in EACH MONTH

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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

"THE FAMILY CHURCH" "AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 20

Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 9, 1961

Number 6

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends:

Sunday began the 6th year of my ministry to this great congregation. The past five years have been among the happiest years we have ever known. We are indeed proud to be your ministers. There are signs throughout this great congregation that new vision and vigor are emerging in our midst. When 100 men begin to study and plan and work to make God's Kingdom more real to themselves and to their fellow members, great things will happen. Mr. Ganter's "Crusaders" have been loyal and faithful in their preparation for the Crusade for Christ, and the congregation is responding to the Week Prayer Vigil. Sunday's thrilling service was evidence to all with eyes to see that God's Spirit is in our midst, and we are responding to His love. The next five years can become the most fruitful years of our lives — if we have faith enough to dare great things for God!

It is always a disappointment to fail at anything that means much to one's dreams and plans. I remember trying to block a large, driving tackle, in order to spring a swift kick free, but having the tackle practically run right over me! But I had the bruises and bumps to free me from guilt — I HAD TRIED! I also knew the thrill of sending the same tackle smashing to the ground, and saw the swift back burst through the line into the open field for large gains, and often go the length of the field to a touchdown! Those of you who are really trying to be God's men and women, will find the going often gets tough, and often your efforts will seem to fail, but you'll never know the shame of not having tried, nor the disappointment of seeing your dreams and hopes turn to ashes because you lacked the vision or courage to try to make them come true!

Over the door way to the playing field in our dressing room was a large sign: "WINNERS NEVER QUIT, AND QUITTERS NEVER WIN!" When things get tough, the tough are going!

I saw a friend so agitated over a TV program that he kicked the TV! But he was wrong — the TV set could only send on what it had received! When you think of your church recommending your consideration of moving up toward the tithe — don't blame the Church, the Church can only pass on what GOD, THE SENDER, HAS PASSED ON! Tithing is as old as mankind! It was practiced by the Egyptians, Babylonians, Romans in the dawn of recorded history. Abram paid the tithe to Melchizedek 500 years before the law was given (Gen. 14:20). Don't blame the instrument, blame the Sender. Don't blame the Church, tell God of your displeasure of HIS principles!

Sunday's Sermon: "God Seeks Man the Seeker"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During November, 1961

ELDERS: November 12 —

Robert Rayl — James Naile

DEACONS: November—

Captain—John J. Jefferies, T-34414

Robert R. Chevalier

Rufus S. Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroll

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

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DEACONESS: November—

Mrs. Edwin R. Hall

HOSPITALITY: November

Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, Chairman

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NEW MEMBERS

It is with pleasure that we list the names of our new members. It is our hope that we will get better acquainted with these fine folk and make them feel at home:

Mr. and Mrs. Claude E. Warner,
4215 So. Monroe St.

Glenn Smith, 320 W. Oakdale Drive

John H. Barbre, 901½ E. Rudisill

Miss Myra Hatter, 222 W. Oakdale Dr.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth S. Flesher,
5415 So. Hanna St.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reynolds,
3320 Euclid Ave.

Mrs. Harry Peterson, 314 Killea

Miss Elizabeth DeAnn Anthony,
314 Killea

Miss Joanne Boswell,

2445 Sandpoint Rd.

Roger W. Crist, R.R. 1, LaOtto

Mrs. Annis Dow, 2014 Curdes Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren W. Webster,
803 E. Rudisill

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Zingrebe,

Kenneth Zingrebe, Jr., and

Michael Zingrebe, 4434 Bowser Ave.

We welcome these people into our fellowship.

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"QUESTION — 7"

This is a movie which will be shown at the Clyde beginning November 9. It deals with a German Lutheran Pastor's Christian witness in East Germany and the pressures he and his family are subjected to in order to maintain their faith. You will want to see this motion picture.

'REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—'CRUSADE FOR CHRIST'

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING — NOV. 21

The Christian Women's Fellowship will meet at 12:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall for a luncheon arranged by members of the Dye and Spice Circles.

The afternoon program will feature Miss Fern Gable (Jane Weston) who is now affiliated with the Juvenile Court as Girl Probation Officer. Miss Gable will speak to the group on "Youth and Delinquency." And For What Is a Mother Responsible? The program will begin at 1:30 in the Church Parlor. Mrs. Wm. Ganter will be in charge of Worship.

Members of the Nelson Circle will serve as the hospitality committee. Mrs. L. I. Culbertson will preside over a brief business session following the program. All members and friends are welcome to attend the afternoon activities.

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NOTES

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Please call Mrs. Helmuth, E-3094, or Mr. Chevalier, K-6094.

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RUMMAGE SALE — DECEMBER 2

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STORK NEWS

Clifton James came to make his home with Hugh and Dorothy Bassett October 2, 1961.

Wendy Christine is the new little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Heavin, born October 30.

Diane Elizabeth has chosen Nancy and Orville Moody for her parents. She was born November 3rd.

A "first" little girl was born to Peggy and John Clark, November 5th. Mrs. John McFarland is the proud Grandmother.

Our best wishes go to these little ones and their families.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

It is thrilling to see our great Church School growing from week to week! Looking over the attendance figures for the last seven weeks, we discover that a total of 3025 people have registered their interest in learning more about God's will for living. Since the last Sunday in September we have averaged 433 per Sunday, the highest sustained attendance in our Church's history, for this time of the year!

A SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKERS begins Monday night, November 13 at 7:30 P.M. at West Creighton Avenue Christian Church. Classes for all areas of Christian Education will be held. Registration fee is \$2.00, which includes the price of the text books to be used. Our Church is permitted to have 25 to register. So far we have not approached that figure. The last date for registration will be Sunday, November 12. Register with me before the deadline. These classes will last one hour and a half and will continue for our consecutive Monday nights.

YOU WILL WANT TO BE A PART OF THE CHAIN OF PRAYER, that will begin on November 20 and continue through November 25. This is a continuous chain of prayer divided into thirty minute periods. We have 148 who committed themselves. We still need 140 to complete the prayer chain. The schedule will be on display during the morning fellowship hour after the morning worship service. Select your time and commit yourself to a thirty minute prayer period during the week.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING will continue this Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M. and we will have another filmstrip, entitled, "THY KINGDOM COME." Everyone is urged to be present in the Sanctuary for this the second in the series. Come prepared to discuss what you can do to make His Kingdom come on earth.

OUR ROCKETS ARE STILL MAKING PROGRESS in the "RACE FOR INNER PACE." Perhaps your class has not yet blast-off. You still have time to get into the program. There are only three more Sundays left in which you may "blast-off." Remember, Jesus said, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man will open the door" See you in Church School at 9:15 A.M. this coming Sunday.

John W. Williams
Associate-Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 5, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	1.05
Nursery Department	24	4.13
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	37	4.63
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	51	5.68
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	55	9.47
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	16	1.40
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	12	2.21
Mr. & Mrs. Rolph Church		
High School Department	29	6.05
James Naile, Teacher		
Colleg Class	4	1.08
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
The '58 Class	33	20.64
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Come-Double Class	50	35.50
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	43	16.72
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	14.75
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	22	5.35
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Class	4	10.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	6.65
Officers	3	
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 5, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	412
Church School	439
Regular Church Offering	1068.38
Building Fund Offering	244.00
Church School Offering	146.13
Christian Theological Seminary	5.00
Total Offerings	\$1462.51

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

There was a fine group out last Sunday to enjoy the program and fellowship. We are sure that more will be coming as the weeks pass. A fine program is arranged for next Sunday evening. The hour 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. followed by refreshments and fellowship.

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PRAYER CORNER

Mrs. Forrest Hoover is a patient in Room 437 Parkview Hospital.

Mrs. Wm. Wetzel underwent surgery on Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital, Room 460.

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WEDDING BELLS

Robin Lynn Miller and Sandra Sue Douglas were united in marriage on Saturday November 4th in the Chapel of First Christian Church, Mercedes, California.

We extend good wishes for their happiness.

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TOY PARTY — NOVEMBER 10

The 58 Class will hold a Toy Party in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 10. Here's your chance to do some holiday shopping for your youngsters. The proceeds from the sales will be used for a worthy cause.

Toys are all quality made and reasonably priced and a wide selection will be available. No need to pay until the toys are delivered. Tell your friends and relatives and plan to attend.

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 12 members present last Sunday with an offering of \$1.55.

Next week Judie Cole will lead the Worship period. Chi Rho will meet from 5:30, when the Chi Rho members will join the adults for a film in the Sanctuary.

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YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE:\$93,932.48

DUE EACH MONTH.....\$ 1,200.00

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Volume 20

Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 16, 1961

Number 7

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

As I write these words I feel a sense of pride at what is happening within the fellowship of our great Church. So very many lives are truly trying to find the meaning of God for their lives in these troubled times. I'm certain that as week after week comes and goes we will see a deepening of the spiritual life of this congregation. My constant prayer is that we shall dare place our lives in the care of God, and seek in His Word or His will for our lives.

A word about the crusade for Christ. Did you know that last year, 1960, Indiana was ranked 14th among all states in per capita income, but was ranked 37th among the states in percentage giving to religious and charitable causes? Think of it — the ole Hoosier state was 14th from the top in income and 13th from the bottom in outgo for Kingdom causes, or we were 14th from the top in getting and 13th from the top in giving!

The goals of our Brotherhood for nearly 9,000 Churches during the Decade of Decision, 1960-1970, is 50-50 giving in Church life: that is spending one dollar for missionary purposes for every dollar spent on local expenses; and for personal commitment seeking to lead our people into tithing their income for the Kingdom of God and its worldwide program. Since two years are already gone by, it means that if you are seriously going to try reaching the goals of committed Christians by 1970 the lowest level of our giving would be 3% of our income this year, and add 1% each year until you were there! The important thing is to truly be concerned about God's plan for your life. Start at the level of your faith, and then grow toward God's plan year by year, month by month. Start somewhere with faith in God's providential care, then grow in grace as your faith grows under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. When the Crusaders for Christ come to call on you why not already be prepared to start on a percentage level you feel is worthy of your faith, your God and His Son, and your present ability to meet that commitment? Christians are INFORMED — CONCERNED — COMMITTED!

Sunday's Sermon: "STOCKPILE FOR SURVIVAL"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During November, 1961

ELDERS: November 19 —

Maxwell Smith — Eural Rose

DEACONS: November—

Captain—John J. Jefferies, T-34414

Robert R. Chevalier

Rufus S. Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroll

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

Wm. E. Franklin

Carl H. Thomas

Edwin R. Allen

Myron M. Cole

Romane H. Cole

Jack Sweeney

DEACONESS: November—

Mrs. Edwin R. Hall

HOSPITALITY: November

Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, Chairman

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PRAYER CORNER

Mr. Harry Ashe is a patient at Robert Long Hospital, Indiana University Medical Center, Room 417, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Paul Truby and her family in the recent death of her brother.

The brother of Mr. Floyd Boschet passed away this last week. Our sympathy is extended to Mr. Boschet and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Heller were in New York State this past week attending the funeral of a relative. Our sympathy goes out to these folks.

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DISTRICT ONE CHURCH CONVENTION

November 19, 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

First Christian will be host to the District Convention next Sunday afternoon and evening.

Mr. Theo Fisher, Indianapolis will address the assembly, in the afternoon. West Creighton Christian Church Choir will sing a special number. Rev. George Wasco-vich will bring the evening message and the First Church Choir will sing. Others on the Program are: Rev. Paul Kerr and Miss Nell Marie Carlson, both of Kendallville.

Dr. John Harms will serve as Moderator for the Town Meeting, with Mr. Bill Barnes, Rev. James Hull and Rev. Donald Legg as Panel Members.

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CHURCH SCHOOL

THANKSGIVING OFFERING GOALS

November 19, 1961

Class	Go
Men's Class	\$25.
Ladies Bible Class	10.
Friendly Class	30.
Progressive Class	50.
Come-Double Class	75.
'58 Class	40.
High School Class	15.
Junior High —	
7th Grade	10.
8th Grade	10.
Junior Dept.	20.
Primary Dept.	10.
Kindergarten	7.
Nursery	5.
Babes - Toddlers	2.

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Thanksgiving has a rich heritage — We know the hardships of the early American Settler — The hard winter before the First Thanksgiving season bore witness to the cost of establishing a new country. Thanksgiving became a natural expression of gratitude to God for the bountiful harvest and constant care.

Thanks for which our present society could rightfully lift its voice in thanksgiving to God is: Industrial development, our standard of living, the peacemakers of the world, the Church of Jesus Christ. Beyond material blessings, we are possessors of a rich heritage summed up in one word — freedom.

In I Peter — we find these words: "Live as a free man; but live as a servant of God." Through him Romans were made aware of their responsibilities when they became Christians. They were involved only in small communities but our involvement is world-wide.

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CHI RHO CORNER

13 young people were in attendance last Sunday with an offering of 80¢.

There will be no Chi Rho as such next Sunday, instead, the youth will attend the District Convention from 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

will be held again on December 3rd, from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M.

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"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Dear Christian Friends:

THIS IS JUST ONE LAST CALL TO FILL THE PRAYER CHAIN! Your response last Sunday to this appeal was wonderful, but we still need 52 more people who will respond for one-half hour of prayer in the chapel. Our Chain of Prayer will be conducted during the week of November 20-25, ending at midnight Saturday.

"WILL I HAVE TO PRAY ALOUD?" is perhaps the question that has been asked the most. The answer is, "No." In fact, we prefer that no one speak at all, and that complete silence be maintained during the 30 minutes you are occupying the chapel. **MANY HAVE ASKED,** "Can we go in groups?" To this we would say that it should be done only in case of transportation problems that involve the family. But this should not prevent anyone from taking part. If this is the best way you can pray, then use your way.

"WHAT WILL I PRAY FOR during the thirty minutes?" This, too, will be no problem at all. You will be provided with a list of requests from your Church leaders. Publicity will be given on a broad scale and requests will flow into our Church from all over the city, from people of all communions and all walks of life. The Bible will be available in order that God may speak to you. Prayer is not "a one-way-street," you see! After you have prayed for your Church to become the Church God wants it to be, pray for yourself, your family, your friends, your enemies. Pray for our world that its kingdoms might become the Kingdoms of our Lord and Christ.

FINALLY, I WOULD SAY FOR YOU TO MAKE YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS KNOWN.

This does not need to be a public thing, but you may make your requests known in an impersonal way, without revealing their source. Seek the prayers of others as you pray for them. Ask others to unite their prayer efforts in your direction. When the Church bends its knees in prayer for its members, we will see the greatest spirit of love and concern ever demonstrated by our people. The whole complexion of our congregation will change to a radiant glow.

PROMISE YOU THAT THIS WILL BE the hottest 30 minutes in your life. Prayer will become a vital and dynamic force in your daily living. I'll see you in Church School at 9:15 A.M. next Sunday.

John W. Williams
Associate-Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 12, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	15	.80
Nursery Department	31	3.50
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	27	1.92
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	41	3.91
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	45	7.69
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
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Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
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Mr. William Franklin		
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Mr. & Mrs. Rolph Church		
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College Class	7	1.46
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
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J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
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Stanley Cole		
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Berean Class	39	20.00
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 12, 1961

Church Worship Attendance406
Church School398
Regular Church Offering888.27
Building Fund Offering281.20
Church School Offering113.52

Total Offerings\$1,282.99

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING — NOV. 21

The Christian Women's Fellowship will meet at 12:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall at a luncheon arranged by members of the Dye and Spice Circles.

The afternoon program will feature Mrs. Fern Gable (Jane Weston) who is now affiliated with the Juvenile Court as Girl Probation Officer. Miss Gable will speak to the group on "Youth and Delinquency And For What Is a Mother Responsible". The program will begin at 1:30 in the Church Parlor. Mrs. Wm. Ganter will be in charge of Worship.

Members of the Nelson Circle will serve as the hospitality committee. Mrs. L. Culbertson will preside over a brief business session following the program. Members and friends are welcome to attend the afternoon activities.

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CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will rehearse this Thursday and every Thursday evening 7:30 P.M. We cordially invite every one who likes to sing to join us on rehearsal night.

Junior and Chi Rho Choirs will not rehearse this Sunday — November 19.

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The Sanctuary Choir are sponsoring the Thanksgiving breakfast, November 23, from 7 to 8:15 A.M. The breakfast is 50c and there will be a choice of three menus.

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"QUESTION — 7"

This is a movie which is being shown at the Paramount. It deals with a German Lutheran Pastor's Christian witness in Germany and the pressures he and his family are subjected to in order to maintain their faith. You will want to see this motion picture.

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BASKETBALL

Our Junior Team will play Third Presbyterian Team on Saturday, November 18 at 1:30 PM in St. John's E. & R. Gym. First Christian fans are cordially invited to come out and watch the boys play ball.

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Number 8

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Much of what we do and are in the Kingdom of God is so stained with self that we generate motion but have little direction. This week our people have immersed themselves in the quiet power of God! We have gone aside in the rush of our busy world and sat still, listening for the voice of God! This week has seen several hundred lives touched by the only power on earth great enough to bring a world of peace — God's! The prayer vigil and the blessings it brought cannot be understood by anyone except those who experienced the creative power of God at work within our lives! Every member of this congregation has been lifted again and again before God's throne for a blessing. Every life has been held up for the blessing of the Father. What a beautiful experience it is to come into the chapel when the world outside is still dark, to hear the gentle strain of organ music bringing the great hymns of our faith back into our memories, to see the pure white candle give up its existence by furnishing light in a room full of darkness, then to sit, stand, or kneel, in radiant expectancy of our Father's promised presence. I had the same feeling I have when our great choir sings, or one of our beloved soloists stirs my heart with inspired music — I want to cry out "Do it again! Do it again!"

In the book, **The Burden of the Lord**, Ian Macpherson, writes:

"As preachers your primary task will not be to inform the minds nor to kindle the imagination nor even to touch the hearts of your hearers — though you will, of course, do all that in the exercise of your ministry — your **primary** task will be to get them to open their beings to the living Jesus. Were Christianity just a set of dogmatic propositions, a collection of theological theories, it might suffice to win an intellectual assent to it and to leave it at that. But no. You dare not do so. For, if the content of your preaching be personal, there can be but one adequate and appropriate response to it . . . the response of acceptance of the Christ it seeks to convey. When you have persuaded your hearers to do that, your work is done, your ordeal over: **YOUR BURDEN HAS BECOME THEIR BLESSING.**"

This is the goal of your minister: to open his own life and those of his people to the light and love of God as seen in Jesus Christ.

Sunday's Sermon: "I Had Forgotten The Scar"

**CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
RUMMAGE SALE**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1961

Please Note: Pie and Cake pans and dishes, which have been left in the church kitchen will be taken to the Rummage Sale, December 2.

If you have missed your favorite pan or dish, please look in the kitchen before December 1st. It may be there.

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Miss Caroline Baughman was a surgical patient at Lutheran Hospital last week.

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Mrs. Thomas Thornbury is a patient in Lutheran Hospital.

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Mrs. I. W. Ditton is a patient in Lutheran Hospital. She has been hospitalized for about two weeks.

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Mrs. L. R. Mote underwent surgery at Parkview last Tuesday week.

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IN SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Ray Woodhull and Miss Nancy Woodhull in the recent death of Mrs. Woodhull's sister, Mrs. J. O. Rose. Mrs. Rose is well known among the members of the Church, having attended services here and she attended the Ladies Bible Class in recent months. Mrs. Rose was a member of the Angola Christian Church. Services will be held in Angola on Wednesday.

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CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rho's will hold their meeting next Sunday at 5:30 P.M. Miss Connie Wasovich will be worship leader.

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Mrs. William Wetzel wishes to take this means to thank her many friends in the Church for their cards, messages, words of cheer, calls and other kindnesses shown her while she was ill in the hospital.

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"It is futile to attempt to educate the children and youth of the church unless the adults with whom they live and by whose lives they are powerfully influenced are also continuing to learn." —Selected

"REMEMBER—NOVEMBER 26, '61—"CRUSADE FOR CHRIST"

A LETTER TO THE LORD

Dear God:

I am certainly sorry that You put Sunday where You did. Our whole family could attend Church more regularly if You did come at a more convenient time. You have chosen a day that comes at the end of a hard week when we are all tired out.

Not only that but it is the day following Saturday night. I mean no disrespect Lord but You must remember that You pick out the day on which we have our biggest dinner. On top of it all, the Church has fixed the hour of worship when we must be cooking the ham.

Then, too, have you ever thought of John? He's been cooped up in the office all week and Sunday morning is the only time he has to tinker with our car, mow the lawn and play golf.

I am telling you these things Lord because I want You to get our viewpoint. We would like to go and we need to go but there are so many things to see and so many things to do on the week ends that the Church gets crowded out. You see, You made a mistake in choosing the wrong day. It's really the only day we have for ourselves.

Hopefully yours,

I. M. Busy

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EVANGELISM:

The Evangelism Committee wishes to announce the coming meeting with Dr. Bayl Driscoll, National Director of Evangelism. Dr. Driscoll will meet with us on December 8th at 6:30 p.m. Members of the Official Board and their wives; Church School Officers and Teachers; members of the Evangelism Committee and others interested in the evangelism program of the Church are cordially invited to attend this meeting with Dr. Driscoll.

This will be a carry-in dinner at 6:30 P.M. The Church will furnish the meals, rolls, and drink. You are asked to bring your own table service.

The Evangelism Committee is planning to have a week of evangelism in April 1962 prior to Easter. The meeting with Dr. Driscoll on December 8 is an important meeting and we urge you to keep the date open and plan to be present.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

Something new is coming our way in the Christian Education Department. It is the new "CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP SERIES" for adult classes. This new series is the result of a long and serious study of adult spiritual needs and will be ready for use beginning January 1, 1962.

Since this new series is an elective study, your class may wish to discuss the merits of such a study and begin the series the first Sunday in January in place of the International Uniform lessons. If you would like to continue the use of the Uniform lessons, your class or a small group could initiate a home study group to provide deeper study.

The Introductory course is entitled, "CHRISTIANS LEARNING FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING." The purpose of this course is to help adults to develop a better understanding of what is involved in a learning experience. It will provide both study and practice in applying the principles by which vital learning takes place. Various techniques of learning are examined and used in dealing with problems and topics.

To provide leadership education for both the leaders and the participants, it offers guidance in leading groups in such a way that the role of the leader is shared widely by the entire group or class and not left entirely in the hands of a single teacher. The importance of group members accepting responsibility for creating an atmosphere for learning is emphasized. GUIDANCE IS GIVEN ON METHODS OF MEASURING AND EVALUATING THE LEARNING THAT TAKES PLACE IN AN ADULT GROUP. THIS IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT NEW ADVANCES WHICH WE NEED TO MAKE IN ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

If you are interested in such a course, discuss it with your class next Sunday, or organize a study group in your home. Further details are available at the Church Office. Materials have to be ordered early or participation in January.

Show your gratitude for God's blessings by being present in Church and Church school next Sunday!

John W. Williams
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Church School 391
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Building Fund Offering188.55
Church School Offering354.46
Thanksgiving Offering 69.50

Total Offerings\$1510.08

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

Officers Serving During November, 1961

ELDERS: November 26 —

Carter Palmer — Robert Clipp

DEACONS: November—

Captain—John J. Jefferies, T-34414

Robert R. Chevalier

Rufus S. Quinn

Richard Block

Garland Morroff

Robert Westerfield

Berton Purdy

James P. Heavin

Wm. E. Franklin

Carl H. Thomas

Edwin R. Allen

Myron M. Cole

Romane H. Cole

Jack Sweeney

DEACONESS: November—

Mrs. Edwin R. Hall

HOSPITALITY: November

Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, Chairman

CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will rehearse the Thursday and every Thursday evening at 7:30 P.M. We cordially invite every one who likes to sing to join us on rehearsal night.

FESTIVAL CHOIR

Choir rehearsals are scheduled for the last Thursday evening of EACH MONTH at 7:30 P.M. in preparation for the Festival Choir selection for the following Sunday. You are urged to join the regular choir for this special presentation each month.

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Junior Choir rehearsal every Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M.

Chi Rho Choir rehearsal every Sunday evening at 6 P.M.

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BASKETBALL

Our Junior Team will play First Presbyterian Junior Team on Saturday, November 25 at 3:00 P.M. Come out and see the boys play!

"QUESTION — 7"

Final Week

This is a movie which is being shown at the Paramount. It deals with a German Lutheran Pastor's Christian witness in East Germany and the pressures he and his family are subjected to in order to maintain their faith. You will want to see this motion picture.

YOUR CHURCH'S OBLIGATION TO

THE BUILDING FUND . . .

BALANCE DUE:\$93,932.48

DUE EACH MONTH.....\$ 1,200.00

FIRST SUNDAY in EACH MONTH

IS

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FIRST CHRISTIAN

"THE FAMILY CHURCH"

TIDINGS

"AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 20

Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 30, 1961

Number 9

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Christian Friends:

Sunday afternoon saw 76 men gathered to Crusade for Christ! These men are to be congratulated for giving themselves to the cause of Christ. Prior to making their calls on the congregation they made their own commitments to the program of First Christian Church. It was an uplifting experience for all who shared in the Crusade for Christ. If perchance you have not been home when the callers came and have not made your commitment, do so Sunday morning and help make their efforts complete.

This week in the magazine, CHRISTIANITY TODAY, there is presented the report of a face-to-face interview between the editor of CHRISTIANITY TODAY, and Dr. Charles Malik, former President of the United Nations General Assembly, and a native of Lebanon. His decisive answers to questions relevant to the world struggle of our day needs to be read and known by Christian peoples the world over. Among some of the questions and answers are these:

Q. How do you define the decisive issues underlying the crisis of the 20th century?

A. "The issue, as I see it, is this. A rebellion within the Western world in the form of Marxism and Leninism has for its ultimate objective the destruction of the accumulated values that we have inherited from the Graeco-Roman-Christian civilization. Against this terrific rebellion our civilization is now engaged in a life or death struggle. This rebellion gathers to itself all kinds of supporting forces in the world which have grievances against that civilization, forces which oppose it, and forces which hate it. Hence there is an alliance, a mobilization of all forces in the world which hate freedom, man, God, objective truth, and the name of Jesus Christ. This to me is the greatest crisis that we face today. Marxism-Leninism is the vanguard of these forces running together against the inherited tradition, which stresses — or ought to stress, regardless of the unworthiness of some of its representatives — man, truth, God, and Jesus Christ."

Q. What is the real hinge of History, Dr. Malik?

A. "The real hinge of history to me is Jesus Christ."

Q. Do you consider the CHURCH more than the United Nations as the real bearer of peace on earth?

A. "Yes, sir! Certainly!"

(We'll present some more of these Sunday morning and in next week's Tidings)

Sunday's Sermon: "THE NEARNESS OF JESUS"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE

OFFICERS SERVING DURING DECEMBER

ELDERS: December 3 —

Robert Rayl — J. E. Weicker

DEACONS: December —

Captain—Stephen Blaising, H-2256

Edwin Hall

Leon Johns

Arza Smith

Robert Hendricks

Ward Bundy

Howard Howell

John Hechler

John Varner

Thomas Thornbury

Omer Guingrich

Earl Plummer

Robert Ogles

Richard Vanderwall

DEACONESES: December —

Mrs. Rolland Ripple

HOSPITALITY: December —

Mrs. George Bruckman

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NOTE: There are members in the Church who would enjoy greatly attending services on Sunday but find it impossible for lack of transportation.

If there are members who would like to furnish transportation for someone living in their area of the city, please register your name with the Church Office.

And, will those persons **needing** transportation to and from Church Services, please register your name with the Church Office.

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CHI RHO CORNER

There were 14 young people for worship and a "true or false" quiz program last Sunday evening. The offering was 69¢.

Next Sunday Chi Rho will meet at 5:30 for further Bible study. Mike Wetzel will be worship leader.

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Junior Choir rehearsal every Sunday evening at 5:30 P.M.

Chi Rho Choir rehearsal every Sunday evening at 6 P.M.

BASKET BALL

Our Junior High basketball team lost the first two games of the season and then won the game last Saturday. The boys are showing remarkable improvement in every game.

This Saturday, December 2, we play St. John's E. & R. team at the St. John's Gym at 1:30.

I know the boys would appreciate the attendance and support of their parents and church members. Let's give our boys some real moral support.

Jim Heavin, Coach

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OUR PRAYER CORNER

Young Jeffrey Worth is a patient on West 4th Lutheran Hospital.

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Little Miss Laurie Flaugh is also a patient on West 4th, Children's Ward, Lutheran Hospital.

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Mrs. Laura Gildea had minor surgery at Parkview this last week.

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It was reported that Mrs. Willis Van Alstine has been bedfast at her home, 6710 South Bend Drive, for some time.

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IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Harry Ashe and her family in the recent death of Mr. Ashe, who passed away last week at Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis.

May this family be sustained and comforted during these dark days of sadness.

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EVANGELISM:

The Evangelism Committee wishes to announce the coming meeting with Dr. Bayne Driskoll, National Director of Evangelism. Dr. Driskoll will meet with us on December 8th at 6:30 p.m. Members of the Official Board and their wives; Church School officers and Teachers; members of the Evangelism Committee and others interested in the evangelism program of the Church are cordially invited to attend this meeting with Dr. Driskoll.

This will be a **carry-in dinner at 6:30 P.M.** The Church will furnish the meat, rolls, and drink. You are asked to **bring your own table service.**

The Evangelism Committee is planning to have a week of evangelism in April 1962 prior to Easter. The meeting with Dr. Driskoll on December 8 is an important meeting and we urge you to keep the date open and plan to be present.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

November 26, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	12	1.55
Nursery Department	18	2.47
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	20	3.05
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	40	4.30
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	55	9.10
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	15	1.83
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	10	1.51
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	29	5.75
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	10	3.03
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
High '58 Class	26	15.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	36	22.50
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaside Class	34	17.75
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	25	12.25
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	22	4.20
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Babies Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	10	4.25
Officers	4	
Totals	367	109.29

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

For the past three Monday nights, interested people from all three of this City's Christian Churches have been studying Christian Education. I have been teaching a class on adult education, using the text "LEARNING TOGETHER IN THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP."

We have learned that there are three distinct steps that a class must take if it is to achieve spiritual growth. First, it must have a **purpose**. Second, it must put forth some **effort**. And third, it must **evaluate**. If we omit anyone of these our class begins to act like a gear with one of the teeth knocked out! Just think on that for a moment.

I must admit that I have been a part and party to many Church School Classes that have had lower purposes than realizing the ambitions of the Kingdom of God, but were zealous in their efforts to fulfill whatever purposes they did have. On the other hand, there have been those classes that have been prolific in the pronunciations of purpose, but barren in effort. Both situations have produced nothing!

The real purpose of Christian Education is achieved only when we unite all three of these aspects in the groups to which we belong. We discover our purpose when we recognize our group as a redeeming community, making new citizens of this community and discovering and doing the will of God in our lives. This takes effort! We do not drift into it. Periodically, it would serve well to **ANNOUNCE** our purpose publicly, committing ourselves to the purpose. We would do well to assess and evaluate our progress. When we follow this procedure, we will be taking steps to insure growth in the direction of Christ-likeness!

Collectively, a Church School Class should do this. But more especially, individuals should make certain that their lives are lived for the purposes of God; they should exert real effort; and they should, through worship, prayer, communion and fellowship, evaluate their spiritual growth. Each period of evaluation should end with renewed devotion and deeper commitment of life.

No small wonder then that the Bible says: "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, Says the Lord God of Hosts." Christian Education is the hope of the world, because through it, men and women are brought into the redeeming community which is made alive by God's Holy Spirit. See you Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

John W. Williams
Associate-Minister

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.
(The Nursery is maintained during Wor-
ship Services and Church School, for Chil-
dren: Infants and Children through 5
years).

7:30 P.M. THURSDAYS — Sanctuary
Choir Rehearsal.

10:30 A.M. Beginners Workshop for Chil-
dren age 4 and 5 years.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

November 26, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	420
Church School	367
Regular Church Offering	1192.97
Building Fund Offering	147.50
Church School Offering	109.29
Thanksgiving Offering	64.75
Total Offerings	\$1539.51

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Monthly Circle Meetings

The Fellowship Guild will meet in the Church Parlor, Monday, December 4, at 6:30 P.M. for their annual Christmas Program and dinner meeting. Mrs. S. E. Merriman will present the program, worship will be given by Miss Ethel Shroyer

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Hhe McGavran Circle will meet with Mrs. Walter Marks, 4705 Lafayette Esplanade Tuesday, December 5 at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Robert Scott; Worship by Mrs. Hugh Rice.

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The Kepple Circle will meet with Mrs. Rolland Ripple, 3405 Central Drive, Wednesday morning, December 6 at 9 o'clock Program by Mrs. Wm. Love, Worship by Mrs. A. N. Shockney.

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The Higdon Circle will meet with Mrs. Charles Fuchshuber, 508 Lavina St. Thursday, December 7th, at 7:30 P.M. Program and Worship will be given by Mrs. Roy Beal.

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RUMMAGE SALE

2028 S. Hanna Saturday, December 2nd
Please bring your rummage early.

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Please Note: Pie and Cake pans and dishes, which have been left in the church kitchen will be taken to the Rummage Sale December 2.

If you have missed your favorite pan or dish, please look in the kitchen before December 1st. It may be there.

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CWF CLOTHING DRIVE

The annual CWF clothing drive is now on. Deadline for bringing your clothing to the Church is December 19th. The clothing should be good and clean used clothing.

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WOMAN'S DAY

Woman's Day Services will be held on December 10th, under the auspices of our C.W.F. Guest speaker will be Mr. Byron Spice, Missionary to Latin America.

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Volume 20

Fort Wayne, Indiana, December 7, 1961

Number 10

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Just three Sundays to Christmas! I for one find renewal each year of the joy and peace I knew as a child at Christmas. The brightness and gayety of the season always brings a lift to my spirit and bright hope to my vision. The wonderful service of worship last Sunday morning was a good beginning for our "Advent" commitment. The Crusaders for Christ have done a wonderful job. Mr. Ganter, the chairman, and Mr. Sweeney, vice Chairman, with their captains: Mr. Blaising, Mr. Birkhold, Mr. Miller, Mr. Culbertson, Mr. Naile, and Orville Moody, deserve our profound gratitude for a task well done. The seventy other men who shared in the calling are also in line for a "well done, thou good and faithful servant" from the Lord, and from the Church. God bless every one of you.

Last Wednesday evening Mr. Ganter reported that on that night the average pledge for that time was \$8.36! It compared well with last year's average of \$3.60. It needs to be pointed out also that there were pledges of 20c and 25c by some of our Chi Rho young people, etc. So it took a lot of outstanding commitment to raise the level of the average pledge by last Wednesday evening to \$8.36. We know that before the final pledge is taken that the average will fall some more, but we believe it will not fall below the average of \$5.00! Well done and God bless all who have shared in the dreams we believe to be God's!

This Sunday morning we will have the privilege of hearing Mr. Byron Spice, missionary to Mexico. It is always a thrill to me to listen to these servants of God who have journeyed across the frontiers of our land to spread the tidings of eternal peace. Let's make this second Sunday on the road to Christmas helpful and meaningful by our attendance in the worship experience of the church.

As we journey together towards Christ our Lord let us remember that God's self-disclosure comes to completion only as it evokes a response. Revelation is revelation only as it reveals, and the measure of revelation is according to the measure of faith. No one can center his life in a God of whom he has no awareness. Therefore, "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found"

WOMAN'S DAY

December 10 is Woman's Day. This is one of the annual missionary days in the life of our Church. It was sponsored by the Christian Women's Fellowship.

Our guest speaker will be Mr. Byron Spice, missionary to Latin America. Mr. Spice serves as director of the Mountain of Light farm in Mexico, which provides a home for rural boys while they attend primary and high school.

He has served in Paraguay where he was pastor of the Peru St. Church. Under his leadership this church organized a new congregation in the suburb of Asuncion known as Villa Aurelia. His congregation helped in buying the land, putting in a well, and giving support to a national pastor in organizing the Villa Aurelia Church.

Mr. Spice serves on the administrative Board of the Mexican Christian Churches. He is a native of Indiana, a graduate of Purdue and attended the College of The Bible, at Lexington, Ky.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Esther Circle will meet with Mrs. Fern Teeple, 926 W. Berry St., Wednesday evening, December 11, at 6:30 P.M. Program by Mrs. Carter Palmer, Worship by Mrs. Albert Egly.

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The Montgomery Circle will meet in the Church Parlor, Tuesday, December 12, at 1:00 P.M. Program will be presented by Mrs. Harold Nordblom, Worship by Mrs. John Olson.

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The Nelson Circle will meet with Mrs. Max Finkhousen, 319 Kinnaird Ave., Wednesday, December 13, at 8:00 P.M. Program will be presented by Mrs. George Wascovich, Worship by Mrs. Harold Crowder.

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CWF CLOTHING DRIVE

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NOTE — The large crystal plate from the punch bowl set has been mislaid. If anyone knows the whereabouts of this plate will you please call Mrs. L. M. Culbertson or the Church office. Thank you.

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE OFFICERS SERVING DURING DECEMBER

ELDERS: December 10 —

Walter Birkhold — Wm. R. Love

DEACONS: December —

Captain—Stephen Blaising, H-2256

Edwin Hall

Leon Johns

Arza Smith

Robert Hendricks

Ward Bundy

Howard Howell

John Hechler

John Varner

Thomas Thornbury

Omer Guingrich

Earl Plummer

Robert Ogles

Richard Vanderwall

DEACONESES: December —

Mrs. Rolland Ripple

HOSPITALITY: December —

Mrs. George Bruckman

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CLOTHES HANGERS

The young people of the church are collecting clothes hangers and wish to solicit the members of the church for their surplus hangers. Please bring them to the church. You will find cartons in the church entries in which to place them. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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58 CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The 58 Class will hold their annual Christmas Party at Highland Park Community Ass'n on December 13 from 7 to 1 P.M. Class members and friends are invited to come.

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COME DOUBLE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Come Double Class Christmas Party will be on Saturday evening, December 9 at 5:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a Carry-in dinner. Meat, rolls and drinks will be furnished. Bring a covered dish, your own table service and a \$1.00 gift for each of your children.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Progressive Class will hold their annual Christmas party at the Church on Saturday, December 16th.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 3, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Infants & Toddlers	13	.80
Nursery Department	16	3.98
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	29	3.40
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	40	4.15
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	51	11.17
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	15	1.67
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	11	1.67
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	33	6.00
James Naille, Teacher		
College Class	7	2.62
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
1958 Class	29	15.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
Home-Double Class	37	23.75
Stanley Cole		
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Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Infants Class	3	.75
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	11	5.10
Officers	4	
Totals	391	\$118.32

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Dear Christian Friends:

Upon re-reading the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ, given by Him just before His ascension into Heaven, we receive new light upon the subject of Christian Education. After having defeated death, as a final word to His disciples, He said, "All power in Heaven and on earth has been given to me. You, then, are to go and make disciples of all nations and baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **TEACH** them to observe all that I have commanded you, and remember, I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

For a long time, the formal teaching program of the Church was covered with dust. Laid away back in the cob-webbed attics of history, Christian Education was all but lost. At first, the matter of evangelism overshadowed its importance. When the Church became influential enough, the matter of personal evangelism was discarded. The Church made it compulsory for children to be baptized. The idea prevailed that it was easier to "grow" Christians instead of reaching those who were not.

Martin Luther uncovered this neglected responsibility of the Church when he rediscovered that salvation is by faith and not by works. With this re-discovery, evangelism became the keynote of the day. The Word of God was preached, people heard, they believed, and their belief led to obedience.

Only part of the Great Commission is obeyed when people enlist as followers of Jesus. The second part involves the total remainder of life. "Teach them to observe **all**" means more than the mind can possibly fathom. When Jesus said to teach **ALL**, Christian Education became a lifetime process of teaching and learning. When this commandment came from the lips of no less than the Son of God, do we dare ignore it?

It may be that the only exposure to the Christian community you will ever experience will be in the Church School and the Worship Hour. Do not become "rich in things and poor in soul" because you neglected these opportunities to grow. See you Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

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December 3, 1961

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Church School	391
Regular Church Offering	1036.56
Building Fund Offering	351.24
Church School Offering	118.32
Thanksgiving Offering	16.00
Total Offerings	\$1522.12

CHI RHO CORNER

There were 16 present last Sunday with an offering of \$1.72. There will be shu in visitation Sunday afternoon, December 10. Chi Rho meet at 5:30 next Sunday at Ann Morical will be the leader.

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Little Miss Teresa Travis was in the hospital last week for a tonsilectomy.

Mrs. I. W. Ditton is a patient at Lutheran Hospital, Room 230.

Mrs. Ralph Weesner is a patient at St. Joseph Hospital, Room 451.

Mrs. Claude Warner is a patient at Parview Hospital.

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SUNDAY — FAMILY DAY

Sunday is the great character-building day. The busier our lives, the more important it is for us to observe Sunday and God commands. Plan your shopping for six days, and observe Sunday as your day for worship, rest, and character building. Sunday is Family Day.

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Number 11

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Friends in Christ:

Have you read the story that appeared in the SATURDAY REVIEW that goes like this: "Last night John Elzy, watchman at the Grand Eagle Department Store, while making his rounds of the bargain basement, found the body of a man lying under a counter. He was thin to the point of emaciation, apparently in his middle thirties, and was shabbily dressed. His pockets were empty and there were no marks of identification upon his person. Store officials believe that he was trampled in the Christmas rush and crawled under the counter for shelter. But they were unable to account for what appear to be nail wounds in his hands. The police are investigating."

Christ gets trampled under the commercialization of Christmas in your home and mine, empty indeed will be your life and home. Let the evergreen tree be a lasting symbol of a FAITH that is eternal, and a promise that knows no end. We believe that after all the "isms" and false credos are gone before the wintry blasts of our age, the Christian Faith will remain fresh and alive! Man's one sure hope lies in the Truths Jesus came to reveal, and nothing, no nothing, can ever dim their radiance.

Can you place your hands on one single thing around you that will endure for 1,000 years? Ah, but the Church has lifted up the Light of God as seen on the face of Jesus Christ for nearly 2,000 years! If you want to feel secure then place your trust in that which across the widening waste of some 19 centuries has stood when all else crumbled. No man, or family, must answer to another for what they hold dear and precious, at every man, and every family will answer to God for their arrangement of life's values. One man holds dear what another holds cheap, and vice versa. Recently I talked with a young man about his commitment to the Kingdom of God. He was almost apologetic because of the size of his commitment — no, oh no, not because it was so small, but because it was so large! He said, "some of my friends think I'm a little crazy!" Then he smiled, he said, "Well maybe I am, a little, but you see I belong to God!" Then on another occasion I talked with another about life's values, and found that it would take him 30 years, yes 30 years, to give God what my young friend would give in just ONE! You may be assured that Christ is at the heart of my friend's Christmas!

Monday's Sermon: "LIKE A LAMP IN THE DARKNESS"

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE OFFICERS SERVING DURING DECEMBER

ELDERS: December 17 —

David Griggs — Rolland Ripple

DEACONS: December —

Captain—Stephen Blaising, H-2256

Edwin Hall

Leon Johns

Arza Smith

Robert Hendricks

Ward Bundy

Howard Howell

John Hechler

John Varner

Thomas Thornbury

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Earl Plummer

Robert Ogles

Richard Vanderwall

DEACONESES: December —

Mrs. Rolland Ripple

HOSPITALITY: December —

Mrs. George Bruckman

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GENERAL MEETING

The General meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship will be held on Tuesday evening, December 19 at 8:00 P.M. in the Church Parlor. The Nelson Circle is in charge of Worship and Program; The Subject, "Accept Him, Serve Him." Fellowship Guild is in charge of hospitality, McGavran Circle will serve refreshments.

There will be a short business meeting.

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CWF CLOTHING DRIVE

The annual CWF clothing drive is now on. Deadline for bringing your clothing to the Church is December 19th. The clothing should be good clean used clothing.

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NOTE — The large crystal plate from the punch bowl set has been mislaid. If anyone knows the whereabouts of this plate will you please call Mrs. L. M. Culbertson or the Church office. Thank you.

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CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Sanctuary Choir will rehearse this Thursday and every Thursday evening at 7:30 P.M. We cordially invite every one who likes to sing to join us on rehearsal night.

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FESTIVAL CHOIR

Choir rehearsals are scheduled for the last Thursday evening of EACH MONTH at 7:30 P.M. in preparation for the Festival Choir Selection for the following Sunday. You are urged to join the regular choir for this special presentation each month.

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Men's Class	\$ 50.00
Ladies' Class	20.00
Friendly Class	40.00
Progressive Class	150.00
Berean Class	150.00
Come Double Class	150.00
'58 Class	75.00
College Class	10.00
High School Class	40.00
Junior High	15.00
Junior Department	25.00
Primary Department	10.00
Kindergarten	5.00
Nursery	4.00
Babes & Toddlers	2.00

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BASKETBALL

Our Junior Team will play the Junior Team from Trinity English Lutheran Church at St. John's E. & R. Church, Saturday, December 16, at 2:15 P.M.

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SUNDAY — FAMILY DAY

We are faced with a grave crisis and a firm command. To surrender Sunday by permitting commercial activity is to ignore God's command. Surely there is plenty of time for marketing on six other days. An amount of needless Sunday shopping makes it necessary for others to violate the proper observance of Sunday and thus surrender this day. Surrender on Sunday and we surrender Christianity. It is God's command. It is an American heritage. Keep Sunday for worship, for strengthening family ties.

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TRANSPORTATION!

Mrs. Edna B. Clark, 821 W. Berry St., Apt. 1 would like to attend Church on Sunday mornings. She does not have transportation.

There may be some family in that area who would like to stop for her, if so, you can reach her at E-0210.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 10, 1961

	Att.	Off.
abies & Toddlers	10	.99
nursery Department	23	3.64
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
indergarten	28	1.89
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
primary Department	40	3.61
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
unior Department	47	9.32
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
unior High Department		
7th Grade	14	1.98
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	12	1.97
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
igh School Department	28	3.75
James Naile, Teacher		
he '58 Class	30	17.50
Richard Vanderwall, Teacher		
ome-Double Class	39	22.30
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Richard Block		
cean Class	36	19.00
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
rogressive Class	22	9.75
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
riendly Class	17	3.40
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwachter		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
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en's Class	10	4.00
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fficers	4	
Totals	365	\$113.10

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Dear Christian Friends:

One frank question that I would like to ask everyone is: "WHAT MAKES A CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS VITAL?" Is a class "where something is always going on," because of its activities, a vital class? Does the number of projects which a class sponsors — regardless of their character or importance — tell the story of vitality? Can size be used as an index? Should big classes, because of their large enrollment, be considered vital classes while small classes, because of their limited enrollment, are regarded as less vital? Does the discussion of important subjects or the regular use of the Bible in class sessions guarantee that the group shall be a vital one? What does it mean, anyway, FOR A CLASS TO BE VITAL? I can think of four tests of vitality.

The Adult Class Shares in the Christian Mission of the Church. The class itself is a Christian institution. It is under the marching orders of the "great commission." It is not solely or primarily an educational group. The dominant purpose of the class is to present Jesus Christ so that men and women will find him irresistible as their Lord and Savior.

The Adult Class is an Organization of the Church. In building the class program, it will always consider itself a segment related to the total church program. While this principle lays upon the class certain requirements of loyalty, it also gives to the class far deeper meaning than it could ever achieve alone. A vital class strengthens the whole church program.

The Adult Class Certainly has an Obligation to its Members. Its values to them will depend upon the degree to which it helps them understand the Christian gospel in terms of their problems and opportunities. Fellowship and service activities give class members the "feel of Christian living." Adults do not long participate in a group that does not serve their needs. A vital class helps its members grow in Christian grace and understanding.

The Adult Class Must be in Touch With the Community. The position of adults in community life is partly responsible for this close relationship. Police officials, schoolteachers, storekeepers, homemakers, lawyers, doctors and clerical and factory workers are the members of the adult classes. An adult class will be a vital class when the Spirit of Jesus is communicated through them to the everyday affairs of life.

John W. Williams
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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

December 10, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	403
Church School Attendance	365
Regular Church Offering	790.05
Building Fund Offering	104.05
Church School Offering	113.10

Total Offerings\$1007.20

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CHI RHO CORNER

17 members were present last week to take part in a panel discussion on "Jesus His Life, Influence in our own lives." The offering was 88¢. Parents were guests at this meeting.

A skating party, followed by a party at the home of Connie Wascovich, will be held this Friday evening, December 15 from 7 to 10:30 P.M.

CHI RHO don't forget your gift exchange!
50¢ to a \$1.00.

There will be no Chi Rho meeting next Sunday evening, December 17. Chi Rho's will attend the Christmas party at the church.

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CLOTHES HANGERS

The young people of the church are collecting clothes hangers and wish to solicit the members of the church for their surplus hangers. Please bring them to the church. You will find cartons in the church entries in which to place them. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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PROGRESSIVE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Progressive Class will hold their annual Christmas party at the Church on Saturday, December 16th.

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POINSETTIAS FOR THE CHURCH

Many families at Christmas purchase poinsettias for their homes. Perhaps some would like to loan their plant to the Church to be used in the Chancel on Christmas Sunday. These should be brought in on Saturday.

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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Mrs. Claude Crowell is a patient at Bluffton Clinic.

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"THE FAMILY CHURCH" "AS FRIENDLY AS IT IS BEAUTIFUL"

Volume 20

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FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Companions of the Christ:

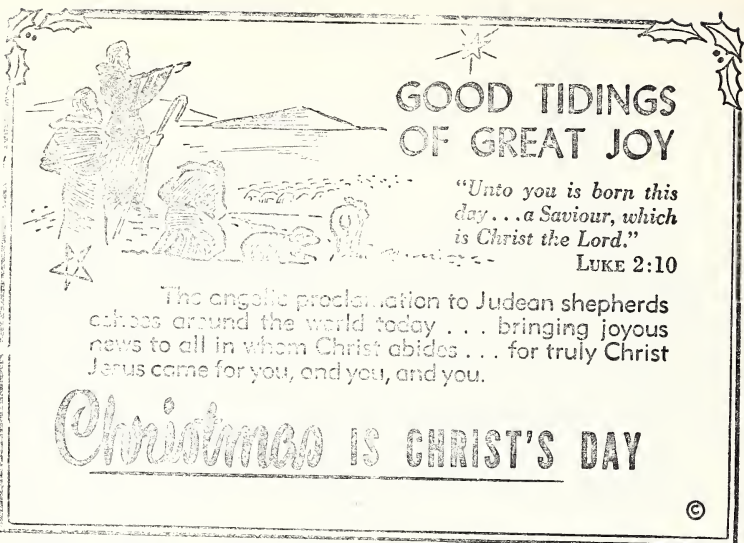
Several days after Christmas, a year ago, I entered a local drugstore and found they were reducing all Christmas decorations. A large painted sign announced the "Tremendous savings on all Christmas Decorations." Instantly I noticed that something had been left out of the sign. It was the letter "i"! I wondered if that sign was a true prophecy of our Lord's concern for the Day of His birth! Had He been left out of Christmas? Then a second thought occurred to me, "Was I left out of Christmas?" I am convinced that all who are "outside" of Christ are outside of Christmas! No one apart from sonship with God are within the Christmas celebration! Is Christ in your Christmas? Are you and your loved ones within the fold of Christmas?

This week presents us with a unique opportunity to lift up our faith in practice by sharing with the orphans and the aged who need us most. The entire offering of the Bible School, and all of the special Christmas offering envelopes will go toward the Benevolent Offering. We will exceed our goal of \$1,000 I am sure. Every single home into which this message comes will spend quite a bit of money on trees that are already dead and soon to be cast into the fire, upon tinsel, much of which will go into the fire along with the tree, upon toys that will last a day or a week, perhaps a month, then broken and discarded - - - but here is an opportunity to give what neither moth nor rust, nor the passing of time can ever erode, a helping hand to some orphan, and a comforting hand to some aged man or woman who desperately needs our help. Can you claim to be deeply Christian when you spend nearly \$4 or \$5 dollars on a tree for a few passing days, and then neglect to share at least that amount for enduring values?

Here is a matchless phrase indicating the true meaning of Christmas: "Until Christ be formed in you" . . . (Gal. 4:19). Christmas will not be real "until Christ be formed in Y O U", so don't point a finger of comparison at your neighbor, your only judgment in the sight of God will be--"until Christ be formed in you."

Sunday's sermon: "The Christmas Spirit and Our World"

Special Christmas Program by the Choir and a Special Christmas Eve Meditation at 5:00 P.M.



CLOTHES HANGERS

The members of Christian Youth Fellowship and High School Class wish to take this means to thank every one in the Church who brought hangers. They received enough hangers to purchase their "Pig For Peace."

Thanks again for your cooperation in this project.

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SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Series of Study Beginning January 7, 1962

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I would like to enroll in the SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING and participate each Sunday at 5:30 P.M. beginning January 7, and continuing through April 15, 1962.

The First Seven Weeks I Would Like to Attend: (Please Check one)

- () "COMMUNISM"
taught by Mr. Wililam Franklin
- () "HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY"
taught by Mr. Carl Smith
- () "FAITH TO LIVE BY"
taught by Rev. John Williams
- () "WHENCE AND WHITHER, THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST" taught by Rev. George Wascovich

Signed

Please Sign and drop in mail or Church Offering Plate before January 7, 1962.

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OUR PRAYER LIST

Miss Mildred Hutchinson suffered a fall on the ice last Saturday and fractured a bone in her leg. She is at home.

STORK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt are the parents of a new little son born December 16.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 10, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	16	.81
Nursery Department	19	3.00
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	30	3.66
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	38	3.62
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	41	6.89
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Senior High Department		
7th Grade	15	2.26
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	8	2.25
Mr. & Mrs. Rolph Church		
High School Department	24	3.98
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	6	1.35
Richard Block		
John Williams		
1958 Class	34	20.50
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Home-Double Class	29	16.00
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Seaman Class	35	18.56
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	30	15.45
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	12	2.30
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Adolescents Class	4	1.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	7	3.50
Officers	4	
Totals	352	\$105.23

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Dear Christian Friends:

Christmas has something to say to us! It speaks of God's gift of eternal salvation. Christmas discloses the very nature of God. It does more than speak comforting phrases. Christmas, with all its warmth and glow, melts the hardness of our hearts and motivates us to live higher and deeper with the new perspectives for life.

Confronted with the Babe of Bethlehem, selfishness and low-living must go. Just as light dispells darkness, so the Eternal Light of God, dim it may be at times, drives away sin and evil. For goodness and evil cannot abide together. Eternal triumph belongs to God.

In the foreword of his book, "THE HIGHER HAPPINESS," Dr. Ralph W. Sockman quotes from the "CHRISTMAS ORATORIO," by W. H. Auden. In this satire he says: "O God, put away justice and truth for we cannot understand them and we do not want them. Eternity would bore us dreadfully. Leave thy heavens and come down to our earth of waterclocks and hedges. Become our uncle. Look after Baby, amuse Grandfather, . . . help Willie with his homework, introduce Muriel to a handsome naval officer. Be interesting and weak like us, and we will love you as we love ourselves."

Christmas says that GOD IS SOVEREIGN! The cult of happiness seekers would reduce God to a Santa Claus who comes down **OUR** chimneys, to fill **OUR** stockings with **OUR** desires. Jesus Christ is our Lord, and if we would discover the joy of Christmas for daily living, we must surrender our sovereignty to His. No man-made scheme nor cleverly devised system will ever bring joy and peace to the human heart. Earn all you want, spend all you want, give all you want, save all you want! Peace will never come until God reigns over you. For God is sovereign and we are in rebellion until we accept the Lordship of Christ.

Esau sold his birth right for a mess of pottage. The birth right of every human being is "to know God and Jesus Christ whom he did send." Santa Claus is a wonderful fellow, and I hope that he is good to you and your children. But let's keep him in his proper perspective and the message of Christmas will come to your home. May God bless you and your family at this season and throughout the New Year. See you Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

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Educational Building and Fellowship Hall.

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Communion — Church Sanctuary.
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December 17, 1961

Church Worship Attendance356
Church School Attendance352
Regular Church Offering 942.73
Building Fund Offering 127.40
Church School Offering 105.43

Total Offerings\$1175.56

AT THE MASTER'S TABLE OFFICERS SERVING DURING DECEMBER

ELDERS: December 24 —

Dr. A. C. Worley — Albert Powell

DEACONS: December —

Captain—Stephen Blaising, H-2256

Edwin Hall
Leon Johns
Arza Smith
Robert Hendricks
Ward Bundy
Howard Howell
John Hechler
John Varner
Thomas Thornbury
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SERVICE FOR BLESSING BABIES

The Service for Blessing of The Babies and dedication of parents will be held during the Morning Worship Service Sunday, December 24th. Parents will return to the Church Parlor at 11:15 at which time you will receive a beautiful "Blessing of The Children" booklet for your child.

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CHI RHO CORNER

The Chi Rho members and Sponsors wish all parents and members who assisted so graciously throughout the year a Very Merry Christmas.

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

1. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
2. MIND AND IN MIND
3. WITH US THE LIVING

THE *Best* RESOLUTION



- For happiness throughout the year
And peace you will hold dear

RESOLVE TO FOLLOW CHRIST

©

As I enter the New Year, I take God to be my Father; Jesus Christ to be my Saviour; the Holy Spirit to be my Guide; the Bible to be the rule of my life; Christian people to be my associates; Christian work my duty and privilege.

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ELDERS: December 31

Walter Birkhold — Bueford Tharp

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Leon Johns

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T'aint what we have

But what we give;

T'aini where we are,

But how we live;

T'aint what we do,

But how we do it —

That makes this life

Worth goin' through it.

—The Log

(U. S. Naval Academy)

When You

VISIT

THEY

ATTEND

BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Monthly Circle Meetings)

The Kepple Circle will meet with Mr. Paul Truby, 440 Englewood Court, Wednesday, January 3, at 9:00 A.M. Mrs. N. Shockney will present the program at Mrs. Robert Ogles will be in charge of worship.

The Dye Circle will meet with Mrs. R. McMaken, 3022 South Wayne Ave. Wednesday, January 3, at 1:00 P.M. Program by Mrs. Fred Hilker, Worship by Mrs. W. H. Imbody.

The Spice Circle will meet with Mr. Robert Hicks, 4103 So. Calhoun St., Thursday, January 4, at 9:00 A.M. Program by Mrs. Eural G. Rose, Worship by Mr. Gene Klepfer.

The Higdon Circle will meet with Mr. Paul Whitton, 3308 S. Clinton St., Thursday January 4, at 7:30 P.M. Program by Mr. Irene Cline, Worship by Mrs. Ethel Richhart.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Mr. Gene Summers is a patient in Lutheran Hospital, Room 494.

Mrs. Cliff Travis is a patient at Lutheran Hospital, Room 312.

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SUNDAY FAMILY DAY

Where do you stand on Sunday shopping? Naturally every Christian believes in sanctifying the Lord's day and would say so. But any unnecessary shopping which could and should have been done during the week betrays this belief. The sad fact is, many no longer regard Sunday work and business as exceptional. Far too many are indifferent. Proper observance of Sunday is vital to us as Christians and as Americans. (1) You can do your part by making sure that your own family confines its buying to weekdays. (2) You can try to persuade your friends and relatives to do likewise not by censure but with a casual word and by example. (3) Send a letter to merchants who are open on Sunday stating your feelings and the fact that he and his employees deserve to be away from the counter on Sunday. (4) Encourage the merchants who close on Sunday by patronizing them — and by telling them.

When God gave the Ten Commandments, He issued the first declaration of human rights, which states that man has a right for one day of rest, one day of worship. When you shop on Sundays you deny others that right. At the same time you disregard the Command of God. Stop Sunday shopping. Keep Sunday Family Day.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

Dear Christian Friends:

The Old Year is approaching its end and a New Year will soon be here. Yes, we must do as St. Paul has said, "Forgetting the things that are behind, I press on."

During this past year we have seen some wonderful growth in our Church School. This has been the greatest year that we have experienced in many ways. The figures are impressive as we compare them with last year's attendance records. We could easily approach the 20,000 mark in total attendance for the year 1961. That would be 3,000 more than 1960. With a great attendance this Sunday, we could easily do just that. What about you and your family? Will you help us set a record for modern history?

Yes, we need to forget our pride and selfishness during the coming year and rededicate ourselves to higher goals and ambitions for the coming year. We want to do more in the area of Christian Education than we have ever done before. This will be the best year in every respect. Our teachers will be better trained, our people will express a deeper devotion to the Church of Jesus Christ. Lives will continue to grow into the likeness of Christ. We will see new dimensions of Christian faith demonstrated in the lives of our people.

You ask me how I know these things to be true? Because you are the kind of people you are. It is only logical to assume this is so, and it will be, too. During these past sixteen months, it has been my joy to work with the most wonderful people in all the world — you, the members of our great Church. With your fine qualities, there is nothing, absolutely nothing impossible when the resources of God have been pushed across the dividing line of human history. This coming year will be our greatest without a doubt!

In your New Year's Resolutions, be sure to place God at the very top of your list of priorities. Resolve now that each Sunday will find you and your family in the study of His Word and Will for your life. Fifty-two Sundays in Church School and Worship Services will make the most profound difference in your life. When this time of the year comes around again, you will not even know yourself, for the difference it will make in your life.

Let me take this opportunity to thank each and everyone for the lovely Christmas Cards and all of your expressions of Christian love at this Season of the year. Happy New Year and may God bless you! See you Sunday at 9:15 A.M.

John W. Williams,
Associate Minister

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT

December 24, 1961

	Att.	Off.
Babies & Toddlers	10	1.50
Nursery Department	14	2.16
Mrs. James Hirschy		
Mrs. L. Max Finkhausen		
Kindergarten	25	4.29
Mrs. Robt. Hendricks		
Mrs. Harold Nordblom		
Mrs. Robert Westerfield		
Mrs. Charles Hunt		
Mrs. Ted Bryan		
Primary Department	32	3.19
Mrs. Wm. R. Love		
Junior Department	47	20.29
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogers		
Mr. & Mrs. Guy Mausteller		
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Keebortz		
Mrs. Harold W. Crowder		
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Speicher		
Junior High Department		
7th Grade	15	3.05
Mr. William Franklin		
8th Grade	8	3.05
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Church		
High School Department	24	7.00
James Naile, Teacher		
College Class	5	27.15
Richard Block		
John Williams		
The '58 Class	16	26.00
J. E. Weicker		
J. Carl Smith		
Come-Double Class	34	74.56
Stanley Cole		
Omer Guingrich		
Robert Perkins		
Mrs. Carl Thomas		
Berean Class	31	110.33
Rev. Geo. E. Wascovich		
Progressive Class	24	84.00
Hugh D. Rice		
Wm. Caldwell		
Elmer Darwacher		
Mrs. Paul Whitton		
Friendly Class	15	40.00
Mrs. Albert Egly		
Mrs. A. N. Shockney		
Mrs. Gretchen Chamberlain		
Ladies Class	4	20.00
Mrs. C. F. Durfee		
Men's Class	8	29.25
Officers	2	
Totals	314	455.82

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Roland Ripple.....) Church School

Sunday, December 31

9:15 A.M. Church School for all ages,
Educational Building and Fellowship
Hall.

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship and Com-
munion — Church Sanctuary.
(The Nursery is maintained during Wor-
ship Services and Church School, for Chil-
dren: Infants and Children through 5
years).

7:30 P.M. THURSDAYS — Sanctuary
Choir Rehearsal.

10:30 A.M. Beginners Workshop for Chil-
dren age 4 and 5 years.

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YOUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND STUDY

December 24, 1961

Church Worship Attendance	386
Church School Attendance	314
Regular Church Offering	1133.57
Building Fund Offering	185.40
Church School Offering	425.76
Christmas Offering	178.00

Total Offerings1922.73

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Series of Study Beginning January 7, 1962

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I would like to enroll in the SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING and participate each Sunday at 5:30 P.M. beginning January 7, and continuing through April 15, 1962

The First Seven Weeks I Would Like to Attend: (Please Check one)

- () "COMMUNISM"
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- () "HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY"
taught by Mr. Carl Smith
- () "FAITH TO LIVE BY"
taught by Rev. John Williams
- () "WHENCE AND WHITHER, THE DIS-
CIPLES OF CHRIST" taught by
Rev. George Wascovich
(Tear Off Here)

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GLOBAL HIGHLIGHTS

The first five pages of World Call should be called to the attention of the congrega-
tion. These pages contain each month in-
formation from all over the Christian
world with major emphasis upon the work
of the Disciples of Christ. Many of the
stories never appear in the secular press,
yet are important in understanding the
world situation. Remind your people of
the importance of these pages. See the
January issue, pages 4-8.

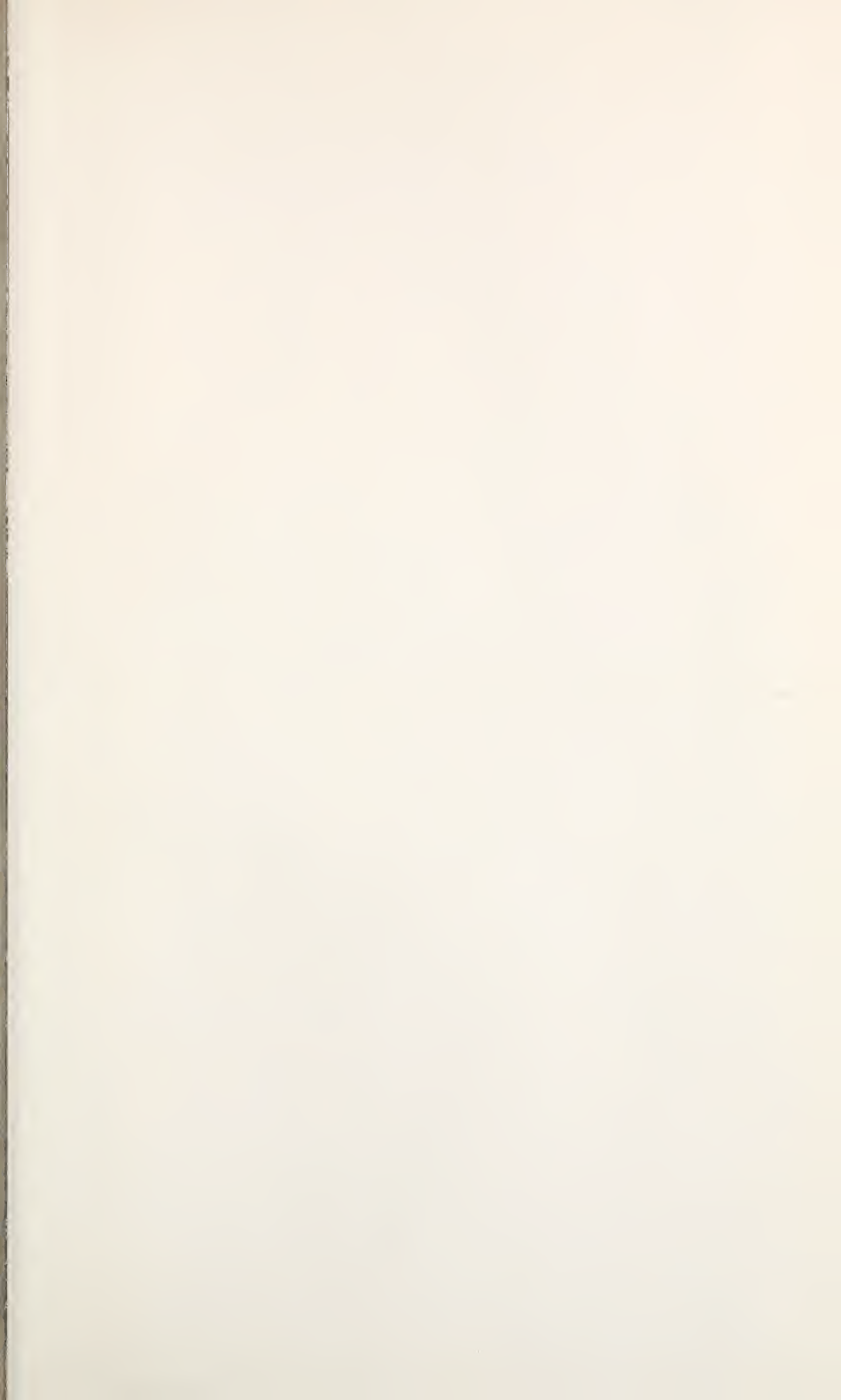
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NEW DELHI ASSEMBLY:

Every group in the church should be
discussing the happenings and the
progress made at the World Council of
Churches Assembly in New Delhi, India.
Dr. George W. Buckner, former editor of
World Call, was at New Delhi and brings
firsthand information to World Call read-
ers. See page 26 of the January issue.

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